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JEWIS' BLOCKADE REPORTED BROKEN

British Protecting Arrival Of Arab Reinforcements

Siam Uprising

Bangkok, Apr. 28. — Siamese police and anti-crime squads were today waging an all-out campaign against guerrilla bands who staged an uprising near Bangkok, on the Siam-Malaya frontier.

The operations were said to be "going smoothly" with only about 300 of an estimated 1,000 strong rebel force to be rounded up.

Units of the Siamese fleet on a training cruise have reached the East coast port of Nara Dhivas with instructions to stand by in case help is needed.—Reuter.

Journalists Approach General Clay

Frankfurt, Apr. 29. — American and Allied correspondents here today asked General Lucius D. Clay, American Military Governor, to eliminate parts of the new public relations policy issued last week in his name to prevent members of his command from depicting for themselves what news is "in public interest."

A clause was added to the standing public relations directive which originally forbade the army from revealing matters of military security and questions "under diplomatic negotiation."

The letter, signed by Robert H. Becker, of United Press (President of the Correspondents' Association), was delivered to General Clay this morning.

The correspondents pointed out that the new directive appeared to contradict General Clay's own "golden rule" policy. This had been a long-standing attitude on the General's part to provide all possible information to the press except that which affected security of diplomatic negotiation.

The correspondents also asked for a definition of "matter under diplomatic study" and suggested that an authority be named to decide what news falls in that category in the event of a dispute.

The letter expressed "appreciation for the personally press relations policies" by General Clay and his "unvarying availability and frankness."

In their letter the correspondents "requested specific information as to our exact status."

This was in reference to the confusion as to whether correspondents are subject to Military Government laws.

The newspapermen also asked for speedier and more efficient release of news about various accidents and equal treatment for motion picture photographers on the same basis as still photographers. Hereafter, the former were required to clear their shooting with the Military Government before making their pictures.—United Press.

Preparations For British Withdrawal

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 29. — British guns opened up on Jewish Irgun troops in the fourth day's battle for the important Arab seaport of Jaffa. Artillery deployed near the railway station shelled the Jewish positions, occupied last night after house to house fighting in the Arab Manshih quarter, near the Mediterranean shore.

Unconfirmed Jewish reports said that British forces had broken the Jewish land blockade of Jaffa and were protecting the arrival of Arab reinforcements.

A despatch from Jerusalem quoted an official police source as saying that British tanks and Bren-gun carriers were still in their positions in Jaffa. Twenty six Arabs were killed and 92 were wounded in yesterday's battle, the despatch reported.

The Egyptian newspaper "Al-Ahram" reported today from its correspondent in Amman, the Transjordan capital, that he had learned that British officers in the Transjordan Arab Legion would retire and be replaced by Arab officers.

For the first time in Palestine's history the Irgun, a Jewish terrorist organization, and the Haganah, Jewish army, staged a joint funeral for their dead.

Six Irgunists and nine Haganah men who died yesterday were taken in state through Allenby Street, Tel-Aviv's main thoroughfare, to the cemetery on the city's eastern outskirts.

All Arab prisoners, estimated at 100, escaped from the Latrun detention camp near Ramleh, on the Jerusalem-Tel-Aviv road today after the prisoners had set fire to a number of buildings, it was officially reported.

In Jerusalem, Jews have laid down a landing strip on the outskirts of the capital under Arab fire and have scheduled regular flights to Tel-Aviv. The Jewish lifeline, the supply route by highway, had been under heavy Arab pressure.

WITHDRAWAL PLANS

Authoritative London sources said today that the British forces in Palestine already have abandoned Ngebi, in the south, and the mountains of Galilee in the north in a gradual withdrawal toward the port of Haifa.

By May 15 British troops probably will be holding only Jerusalem and Haifa along with essential outposts and a few key roads in central Palestine.

These include the airfields of Kolundia, near Jerusalem, El-Hemmer, outside Haifa, and Rahmat David, outside Haifa and the Nabulus-Jenin-Haifa mountain road and the Lydda-Haifa coastal road. The Lydda-Haifa coastal road is the main withdrawal route from Jerusalem to Haifa.

The Jerusalem garrison presumably will quit the capital immediately after handing over on May 15. Military sources suggested that the troops will withdraw from Haifa in two stages, the first to a small intermediate line such as Nazareth and Jenin, and the second to a close perimeter around Haifa harbour.

The evacuation by sea from Haifa is being completed by August 1. After May 15, however, troops remaining in Palestine will be responsible only for their own security.

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NT Police Inquiring Into Students' Death

The British Police authorities in the New Territories are inquiring into the circumstances surrounding the execution of four Hong Kong students by the Chinese authorities at Shumchun, according to the "Ta Kung Pao" yesterday.

The journal reported an interview with Liao Kwong-yu, the uncle of one of the boys, who was detained by the Chinese authorities when he attempted to intercede on their behalf but later released. He was requested to cross the border from his farm and give the British authorities his version of the affair.

Liao told the "Ta Kung Pao" that the four boys actually visited his farm on April 13 at about 11 a.m. After refreshments they left at 2 p.m. for their homes in Shumchun.

Thrown Into Cell

Later the same afternoon he was informed by messenger of the boys' arrest by the Chinese authorities. He rushed to Shum-

Bomb Training

London, Apr. 28. — Forty British heavy bombers will bomb Heiligoland as part of a training exercise tomorrow night over Holland, Germany and Belgium, the Air Ministry announced today.

Heiligoland, the North Sea island where 1,500 former inhabitants have appealed to the United Nations to let them return, has been deserted since its fortifications were blown up a year ago.—Reuter.

Reds' Good Treatment

Shanghai, Apr. 29. — Some 800 passengers, including 12 foreigners and crew members of the Chinese freighter Wan Lee, arrived here this morning aboard the Chinese steamer Chang Cheng, after having been marooned for a fortnight in Communist territory, following the grounding of the vessel off the north Shantung coast.

An American named L. L. Lazarevich and more than 400 other passengers are still in the Communist hamlet of Yuen-cheng, about 30 miles east of Weihaiwei, awaiting transportation to Shanghai.

Today's arrivals were unanimous in speaking of the good treatment they received from the Communists during their stay at Yuen-cheng.

They said that they were not searched or otherwise molested. The American passenger, however, had been detained possibly for "investigation," they added.

The Wan Lee carried some 800,000,000 worth of cargo and 800,000,000,000 in cash when it foundered off the Shantung coast on the morning of April 12.

In addition there was some US\$250,000 worth of precious jade aboard the vessel.

Information available here this morning disclosed that the greater part of the ship's cargo was safe and would be returned to Shanghai.—Reuter.

APL Luxury Liner

Arriving in Hong Kong at noon today is the new American President Lines' luxury liner "President Cleveland" with a party of tourists whose time in port will be fully taken up with a tour to repulse Bay via Shaikwan, and return to the lower Peak Station for an ascent to the Peak.

During the stay in port, passengers will visit the shops and other sections of Hong Kong and Kowloon.

The "President Cleveland" will call at Shanghai, and Yokohama and American Express Company and The Good & Son have made arrangements for each port.

Top-Heavy Vessel Sinks

Carrying some 200 huge baskets of vegetables from the Chung Shan District and about 20 passengers, the "Hong Lee," a small wooden motor vessel, turned over on its side and sank off the Luen Cheung Wharf, east of the Custodian Wharf, on Wednesday.

The cargo and passengers were thrown into the harbour. They were rescued by sampans and nearby junks.

Top-heaviness was said to have been the cause of the mishap to the vessel as it was swinging to berth. Its hold was empty and the decks stacked high with vegetables.

ALLEGED ROBBERS ARRESTED

Detective Sgt. Ho Ping and a party of detectives from Kowloon City raided an unnumbered hut at Shuk Kip-mei Village on Wednesday afternoon and arrested four men alleged to have held up and robbed the Kowloon Tong No. 8 bus and Stanley bus recently.

One of the men arrested, who was charged, and will appear in the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

Two loaded revolvers were found in the hut.

Italian Elections



A shower of political leaflets being dropped on Duomo Square in Milan, the constant scene of Italian political rallies and demonstrations. (A.P. Photo.)

May Day Has New Significance

London, Apr. 29. — Millions of workers will parade on Saturday in the European cities in the tradition of May Day, but in the Western countries the tradition of unity of the working class will be largely forgotten, according to first reports today.

Civil Rule For Trusts

Washington, Apr. 28. — Proposed legislation to set up a civil government in the Pacific Islands was sent to Congress today by Secretary of State Marshall.

The United States is trustee, under the United Nations, for the Marianas (except Guam, which is a U.S. possession), the Marshall and Caroline Islands. The Navy now governs the islands.

Under the proposed bill the President would appoint a Governor, Chief Justice and two Associate Justices and would designate a site for the seat of government.

In another development affecting the islands, President Truman named Dr. Felix Keesing of Stanford University as senior United States Commissioner on the new six-Power South Pacific Commission. Milton Shalleck, New York lawyer, was named Commissioner.

The South Pacific Commission is a regional organization allied with the United Nations and set up to promote advancement of dependent peoples of the area.—Associated Press.

2,000 Squatters Amicably Removed

Mount Parrish, site of the former Naval Infectious Diseases Hospital, east of the English Methodist Church, was cleared of some 2,000 squatters by the Sanitary Department yesterday.

Without fuss or bother, or sign of opposition or antagonism, the 2,000 men, women and children were transferred by four lorries, provided by the Sanitary Department, to new sites at North Point.

Many were reluctant to move and tried to "talk" themselves into remaining. But by sunset they had all moved out without any assistance from the police, conspicuously absent throughout.

Talked Himself Hoarse

The removal was under the supervision of Sanitary Inspector E. Powell who talked himself hoarse by being forced to repeatedly explain to the squatters where they were being removed and why, and that they would not have to pay anything for the service and the sites at North Point.

The squatters dismantled their wooden shacks themselves and carried their belongings and planks down the hill to the waiting lorries which took them to a hillside near the Victoria Park and Lacquer Factory.

When the "China Mail" visited the scene yesterday morning, the mass "migration" was in full swing.

Questions asked by the squatters revealed that many of them had been victimized by racketeers who had collected money from them by posing as representatives of the Police Department and the Sanitary Department.

The whole area will be cleaned up by scavenger-coolies and the anti-epidemic squad today.

LI'S VICTORY NO-CONFIDENCE VOTE FOR KMT

Nanking, Apr. 29. — General Li Tsung-jen, Kwangsi director of the Generalissimo's headquarters in Peiping, won China's Vice-Presidential election at the National Assembly today by a margin of 143 votes.

In a straight fight against Dr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen and President of the Legislative Yuan, General Li polled a total of 1,438 votes to his rival's 1,295.

"No Reason For War"

London, Apr. 29. — Lord Vansittart, a former diplomatic adviser to the British Government, said in a speech here today that there was absolutely no reason why there should be another war unless the Kremlin persisted in its present policy.

"Unhappily, it is showing every sign of doing so," he added. "I think that Stalin's propensities are very much the same as those of Hitler and there is always the danger that the dictators may push themselves into a war before they want it."

"That is part of the bloody trade of dictatorship. The second world war could have been prevented and the third could be prevented by the only argument the bullies understand."

"That is strength—never by appeasement. If Western Europe was to survive all the countries concerned would have to pool a good deal of their sovereignty, their foreign policy, their resources and their armed strength."

Even so, this would not work unless these interlocking alliances were underwritten by the United States, who would probably not want to underwrite them unless the western world showed a will to live.

"Therefore," he said, "these armed forces should retain a high degree of efficiency."—Reuter.

Congo Treaty Review

London, Apr. 29. — The Association of British Chambers of Commerce today passed a resolution calling for a review of the Congo Basin treaties to prevent Japanese cotton manufacturers from obtaining a monopoly in the countries of central and west Africa.

The treaties made in 1886 allowed free trade in this area. Colonel Winston Churchill told the meeting that Japan should not be allowed to develop her pre-war policy of flooding the world markets with cheap goods.

A speaker from Manchester said that unless immediate and positive steps are taken to encourage other industries than textiles in Japan, "the effect will be disastrous on world trade as well as on the textile industry in this country."—Reuter.

Demand For H.K. Dollars

Canton, Apr. 29. — Cash is streaming into Canton from Hunan and Hupeh provinces, the holders being sent here to buy Hong Kong dollars and gold bars.

Sons of Hunan merchants are also shipping eggs and dried chrysanthemum for sale here at prices lower than those in the places of origin because the sellers are ready to dump them here in order to get Hong Kong dollars or gold bars.

As the law limits each visitor to bring only HK\$50,000,000, it is believed some of the Chinese currency is being smuggled into Canton.—Associated Press.

The Weather

An anticyclone centred E of Japan is moving quickly E and a ridge extends from the Azores to the British Isles. Future weather is slightly better than today's. Forecast—Moderate ESE winds, cloudy and hazy with scattered light showers.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 79.1 deg. F. Minimum 69.0 deg. F. Sunshine 4.5 hours. Rainfall 0.4 in. Total since Jan. 1—20.71 in. (8.98 in. as against an average of 18.0 in. in 1947).

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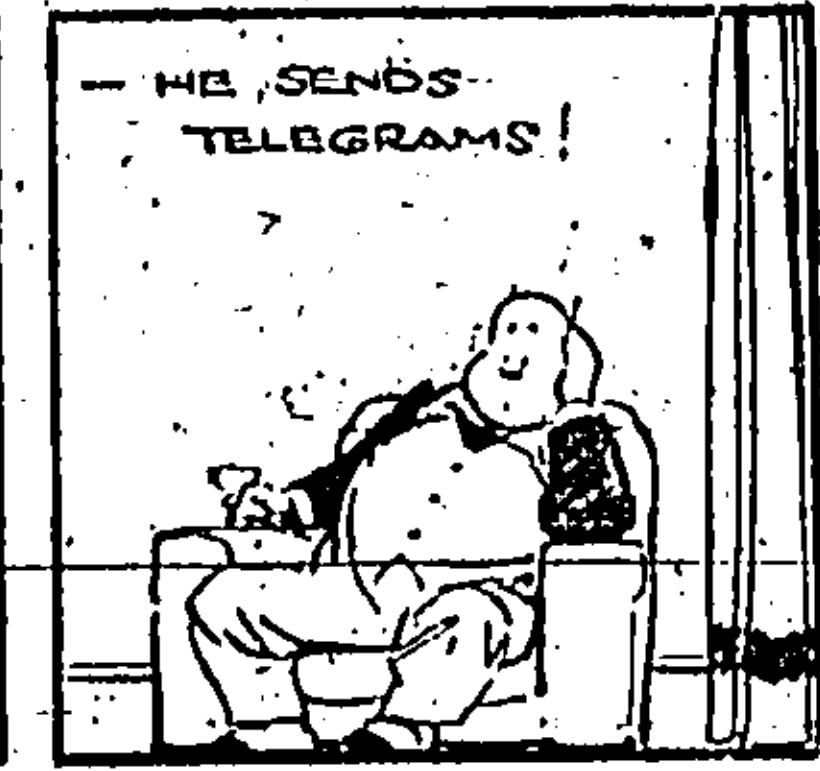
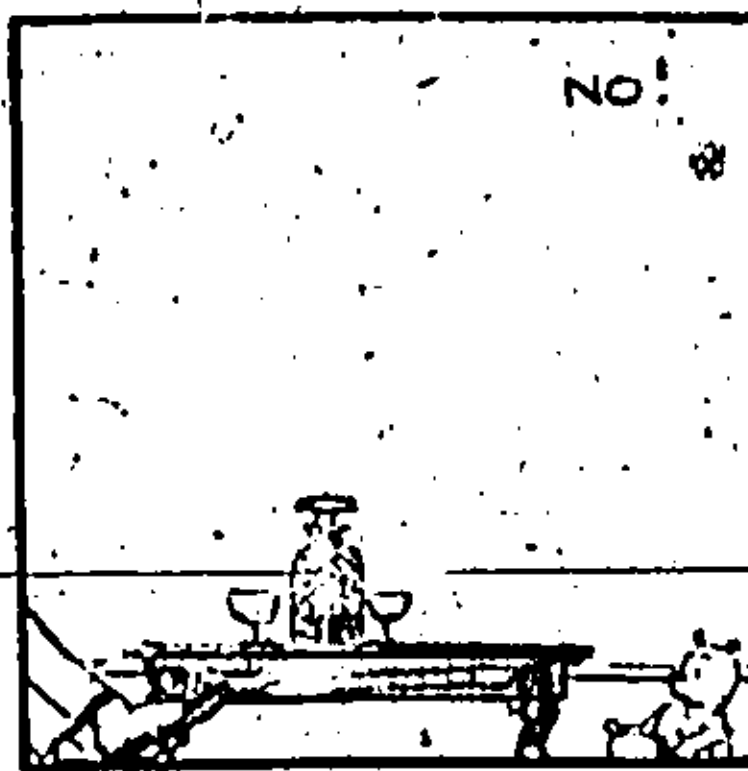
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CHINESE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS FINED

The publishers and printers of three magazines were summoned by Inspector Byron of the S.C.A. before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistracy yesterday for infringements of regulations governing publishing and printing magazines.

For publishing or assisting in the distribution of the "New Democratic Principles and China's Economic" on March 21 and failing to have the name and address of the printers thereon, Ng Chung, manager, and Sha Kung-liao, proprietor, were each fined \$250.

Kong Ku-chun, manager of the Yau Lee Printing Press, Connaught Road, Central, was fined \$230 for printing the magazine without affixing the address.

Insp. Byron told the Court that the magazine started publication early last month. The defendants pleaded over-sight. The magazine had since come out of circulation.

On similar summonses, Chien Chai-cho, publisher of the Economic Newsletter, and Yen Tze-shun, manager of the Wide World Printing Press, Marble Road, were each fined \$100.

Thought It Unnecessary

The magazine was in circulation for the last two years, the prosecution stated. An application by Chien had been sent in to the S.C.A. in March. The magazine formerly was a week-

ly, but was now published at irregular intervals.

The printer asserted that he thought his firm was widely known here and he did not think it necessary to affix its address besides printing the name.

Also summoned for publishing and printing infringements were Lee Fung, publisher of the "Chung Shan Overseas Monthly," and Yen Hsi-shun, manager of the Wide World Printing Press, Marble Road.

Insp. Byron said that six of the magazines were published in Shekhi and two in Hong Kong in December and January last. Lee had been in hospital since March, but he had asked his friends to register the magazine with the S.C.A. The magazine had not been published since March and was awaiting registration.

The Magistrate cautioned Lee but fined Yen \$100.

VIGILANCE REWARDED

But for the vigilance of Sergeant MacDonald of the Royal Naval Yard, Kowloon, a 28-year-old coolie employee at the B.N. Yau Store would have got away with 141 bolts last Wednesday afternoon.

When searched, Wu Yat was found to have hidden in his left shoe a broken box of bolts.

Convicted by Mr. Latimer, Wu was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour when he appeared at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

NZ AIR INQUIRY

Wellington, Apr. 29. The commission of enquiry on the Tasman Airways Sandringham flying-boat, which limped back to Sydney on three engines last December after developing engine trouble over the Tasman Sea, today exonerated the captain and crew of blame.

The commission criticised the air-line on technical points and said that the aircraft was not suitable for Tasman Sea conditions.—Reuter.

Charity Ball Raises \$15,000

Nearly \$300,000, a third of the target figure, has been raised to date in the appeal for funds to build a new Nethersole Hospital, nurses' home and training school.

This was disclosed last night by Mr. N.O.C. Marsh, chairman of the Nethersole Hospital Executive, at the hospital's charity ball at the Hong Kong Hotel "Gripps."

The ball was attended by more than 600 people, among whom were Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham, Mrs. W.R. Scott, sister of Lady Grantham, Admiral and Lady Boyd, Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Webster, wife of the A.C.C. Commodore and Mrs. Robertson.

The ball committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. W.R. Scott, hope to raise \$15,000 as a result of the night's function.

The programme included items by Miss Nellie Field of the Kribs Kaudsen Ballet School, Mr. Victor Orloff and Mr. B.D. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. K. Nip, Miss Chow Sun, Paul and Annie.

Mr. Marsh gave the following details of the appeal:

Inadequate Quarters
The Nurses' present quarters are old, out of date, and now entirely inadequate for the accommodation of the present staff.

"We first launched our public appeal for financial assistance on the 15th of this month, and in the past few weeks I am happy to be able to say that responses have been encouraging.

The past and present Nursing staff have, received to date, or are promised \$125,000 towards the Building Scheme, from sympathetic friends.

"The sum of \$30,000 has been promised by the Chapel, in memory of a Chinese lady.

"\$15,000 will be forthcoming from the family of the late Mr. Ma Ying Pui, to name the Library in his memory.

"The target figure we aim at is \$300,000 and including a sum of money which is in hand before this appeal was initiated we are already in sight of the \$300,000 mark.

"In other words we have cleared the first three hurdles, but have six more obstacles to jump, and should the going become progressively difficult—I am still optimistic about the ultimate result of this good event.

"We are deeply grateful for the generous encouragement already afforded by certain of the Banks, Jargis, Firms and Companies whose thoughtfulness has contributed appreciably to the confidence I have in this deserving cause.

"There are, however, various other large local trading concerns who live, move, and having their being, and their prosperity, within the security of this Colony, and to which I would make a sincere appeal for a more liberal showing of public-spirited philanthropy."

Quick returns

EXTORTION CASE HEARING

Too Many Passengers

A plea in mitigation was made by Mr. C.Y. Kwan, representing the victim-master of a motor-junk from Swabue, in the Marine Court yesterday, when he was charged before Mr. D.G. Cairns with carrying 50 excess passengers.

Difficulty with Chinese territory and others in Chinese territory in enforcing passenger restrictions was emphasised by Mr. Kwan who said that refusal by his client to take on these people would only mean trouble for him.

He was fined \$50 on 10 days in default.

Sub-inspector McCarthy prosecuted for the Police.

Committal proceedings were continued before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday against Inspector Peter Oliver Guild, Tam So (alias Fai Por So) and P.C. Chan Pui-lam on a charge of demanding from Lo Wun-yung \$500, Pun Tai-so \$500 and from Lo Wun-yung a further \$250 and from Chan Nui \$100.

Tam So is additionally charged with demanding from Wong Sing \$100 and Lee Siu-lam \$40.

Witness could not recognize the European officer as he was made to squat down and his eyes were observed the order for him to squat was given by the European, who spoke in Cantonese. Shortly afterwards Ah Siu said that the matter had been settled with the master.

Doctor's Evidence

Leung Sik Yuen, a doctor of Chinese medicine, said that he was smoking in the divan when four Chinese and a European policeman entered.

The European spoke in Cantonese and ordered them to squat. Wong Sing, alias Wong Chai, said he worked for Mak Yiu, Fei Por So came to the flat and demanded \$100. She mentioned that it was for an Inspector. She said she wanted \$100 monthly and not once and for all. She said that if this was not immediately forthcoming she would ask the Inspector to raid the place. She did not describe the Inspector, but mentioned that he had nine fingers.

Tam informed him that she had collected from every divan his master not being in and acting on the advice of the smokers present that the money should be paid; he paid over the amount demanded.

Wong Sing, the last witness, also a folk of the last witness, gave corroborative evidence, after which the case was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. on May 4.

Frost-Gardner Wedding



A pretty wedding took place at Rosary Church yesterday afternoon when Miss Angelina Gardner, daughter of Mrs. R. B. Gardner, became the bride of Mr. Robert Lowick Frost, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L.

Frost. The Rev. Father H. de Angelis officiated.

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of Mr. C.E. Carneiro, looked charming in a Spanish creation of white nylon. As a Spanish bride she wore a high comb adorned with tiny orange blossoms. Her long veil was made by Spanish Nuns in Spain.

Her bouquet was composed of pink and white orchids specially flown from Bangkok.

Miss Connie Gardner attended the bride in a gown of blue nylon and carrying a bouquet of roses.

Two flowergirls, the bride's nieces, wore blue organdie and carried posies of carnations.

Boutles of groomsmen were discharged by Messrs. Richard Hunt and Robert C. Gardner.

A reception for a large gathering of friends and relatives was held at the Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon and the newly-weds left later for their honeymoon in Bangkok.

The bride chose for her going away dress a blue-romance-crepe with hat to match and white accessories.

The wedding coincides with the occasion of the bride's mother's 50th wedding anniversary.

London, Apr. 27. Ramon J. Fernandez, new Minister from the Philippines, presented his credentials today to King at Buckingham Palace, Associated Press.

Dr. Digby Gives Evidence For His Driver

That on European police inspector said to him "You ought to be whipped. I should take you to the police station," was alleged in evidence at Central yesterday by Dr. K. H. Digby.

Dr. Digby was appearing as a witness for his driver who was summoned for driving without due care and attention at the junction of Hennessy and Queen's Roads.

Defendant, Wong Sing Min, is represented by Mr. D.B. Evans who pleaded "not guilty."

Insp. Eggleston, prosecuting, said that he was driving a police car at about 18 m.p.h. behind a private Vauxhall. The Vauxhall crossed into Queen's Road and then swerved right causing him to apply his brake violently. He called to the driver to stop and when he was on the opposite side of the road he stopped.

"In Awful Hurry"
Insp. Eggleston got out of his car and went to speak to the driver, Dr. Digby, who was with Wong, alleged the Inspector, said, "We are in an awful hurry. We are already late for an important engagement." He was told that the driver would be summoned for careless driving and Dr. Digby said that he would also be in court.

Dr. Digby said that they were only about two cars' lengths behind the car ahead. There were about two or three cars in front, all turning into

Queen's Road. It was untrue to say that there was about 122 yards distance between his car and the one ahead.

They were just finishing the turn when a car came at a terrific speed and his driver had to avert to avoid a collision.

He estimated the police car's speed at about five times as fast as his own car.

The Inspector seemed to be in a very agitated state when he spoke to the driver and himself. Dr. Digby alleged that he said, "You should be whipped. I should take you to the police station."

Trying To Bully
Dr. Digby replied that they were going to the Yeung Wo Hospital and that if the Inspector wanted, he could summons the driver but he thought that he was to blame and not the driver. He denied having said that they were in an awful hurry.

The Inspector, Dr. Digby said, seemed to be trying to bully the driver, Dr. Digby, and himself into saying that it was the fault of their car.

Witness said he thought the Inspector was travelling at an abnormal rate and that he must have been down by the Sillars and Soldiers' home when they began to turn. While the car was travelling 10 yards, the police car must have travelled about 100 yards to catch up with them. That made the Inspector travel at five times the speed of witness' car, which he thought was travelling between 10 and 15 miles per hour.

Corroborative evidence was given by Dr. She Man Mai.

He said he thought at first the police car was making some kind of road test to test the nerves of the driver.

The case was then adjourned until Monday morning at 11.30 a.m.

HIROHITO'S BIRTHDAY

Tokyo, Apr. 29. Nearly half a million people waited hours here today to make a two mile pilgrimage through the Imperial Palace grounds and bow in the direction of the Palace, where Emperor Hirohito was celebrating his 47th birthday.

Priests in flowing yellow robes moved among the crowd, chanting prayers, and beating drums to drive off evil spirits.

Emperor Hirohito made one brief appearance in the grounds. Throughout the day, kimono-clad Japanese streamed towards the palace to join the mile-long line of visitors, book.—Reuter.

London, Apr. 27. Ramon J. Fernandez, new Minister from the Philippines, presented his credentials today to King at Buckingham Palace, Associated Press.

Finds New Uses For Sugar

New York, Apr. 29. The US\$50,000 annual sugar research prize has been awarded to Dr. Leslie F. Wiggins of the University of Birmingham, England, for chemical discoveries that can change sugar into building blocs.

Other scientists said Wiggins' discoveries promise to turn sugar into a key raw material for many kinds of industry. The objective is a market for surplus sugar. The idea is to convert surplus sugar while they are still in the sugar cane stage.

Wiggins found ways to change sugar cane and sugar beets at low cost into levulinic acid. This is a white substance resembling coarse salt, with no sweet taste. The acid is useful for many kinds of chemical products.

It will make about 30 percent of the substances needed to form nylon. It will make 40 percent of the ingredients that produce sulfa drugs. It makes a cheap anti-freeze for automobiles in cold climates.

It can be used to produce a synthetic coconut flavour. It can be converted into lactic acid and into raw materials for plastics that are transparent as glass. It cures hides, makes several drugs used to treat high blood pressure, and solvents.—Associated Press.

China Agrees To UN Relief

Lake Success Apr. 29.

It was revealed today that the Chinese Government has agreed to the distribution of United Nations relief to children in Communist controlled areas in China. However, the method of distribution is still not settled.

Originally, the proposed relief was to be in the form of cotton to weave into cloth, which would be sold for Nationalist currency. The returns would then be sent into Communist areas either as money or goods.

It was understood, however, that Nanking insisted as one of the conditions an agreement that only goods be sent into Communist areas and Nanking be kept fully informed of details of the relief plan.

The UN Children's Emergency Fund Board appropriated \$500,000 for the relief of children in Communist areas in China. The Chinese member of the board, Dr. Tzu Tsiang, had agreed \$500,000 while the Soviet delegate wanted the amount to be increased to \$1,000,000.

The board also approved a detailed plan for use of \$1,000,000 in China Proper, giving the Nationalists a two to one ratio over North China in initial allocations from more than \$5,000,000 eventually earmarked for China.

The board set aside \$3,000,000 reserve for Far East areas other than China.—United Press.

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BUSINESSMAN JAILED FOR DRUNKEN ATTACK

Cotton Workers' Protest

Labour trouble started at the month-old Nanyang Cotton Mill at Mataukok on Wednesday, when over 100 Cantonese workers, male and female, ceased work as a protest against treatment and working hours.

The strikers resented what they called long hours of work, and treatment by their Shanghai contractor assigned to teach them their work.

Attempts by Labour Office mediators to get the strikers to return to work failed. The management of the mill, when interviewed, said the trouble was due more to a misunderstanding than anything else.

The dissatisfied workers were probably not amenable to training which they must receive before becoming efficient operatives, and language difficulties with their Shanghai colleagues might have aggravated matters.

"We believe the trouble will soon be settled and the strikers will voluntarily return to work," said the management who added that nearly 100 Cantonese workers were still at work.

Money Market

The gold market was steady but quiet yesterday. The rate opened at \$336.12 and closed at \$337.37, a fall. Highest and lowest rates of the day were \$335.50.

Plaster opened at \$11.27 1/2 and closed at \$11.30, a rise. The opening quotation was the lowest rate of the day. The highest was \$11.32 1/2. There were no transactions in the afternoon.

Chinese National Currency opened at 7.45 cents for futures and 7.6 cents for spot (for CN\$10,000) and closed at 7.6 cents and 7.8 cents respectively. There were no transactions in the afternoon.

NEI Guilders dropped from \$44.60 to \$44.10 in the morning to \$43.20 in the afternoon. U.S. dollars were quoted at \$5.61 in the morning and \$5.62 1/2 in the afternoon.

Sterling again rose to \$13.35, but Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.55.

All Japanese war criminals hanged at Stanley Prison were buried at sea on behalf of the Military Authorities, the "China Mail" learned officially yesterday. Ordinary prisoners, after being hanged, are buried in special section of the prison grounds, set aside for the purpose.

Reminders

Today

Central British School, presentation of prizes by the Governor, 11 a.m.
Maryknoll School, annual prize-giving and annual play, 5 p.m.
Shanghai Pahang Rubber Estates, Ltd., 5th annual meeting, 11 a.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club Luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Talk on "Hospital Services of Hong Kong" by Dr. F. I. Tseung, Tse H Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Sino-British Club Fifth Concert, 8.30 p.m.
Stage Club presents "Things that Go Bump in the Night", Missions to Seamen Theatre, 8.30 p.m.
Central British School Prize-giving Day at school, 11 a.m.
Closing Dance, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Stage Club presents "Things that Go Bump in the Night" (final performance), at Missions to Seamen Theatre, 8.30 p.m.
BUNDAY
Classical Concert, Tse H Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

RIP KIRBY

IT'S AN OLD FARM OUTSIDE BROOKVALE. O'GRADY'S TEN MINUTES AHEAD OF US, AND SHE HAD A HALF-HOUR START ON O'GRADY. BUT THE STATE TROOPERS MAY GET THERE FIRST.



MEANWHILE, AT THE FARM: MISS BLEAK: WHAT A SURPRISE! IT'S AFTER MIDNIGHT!



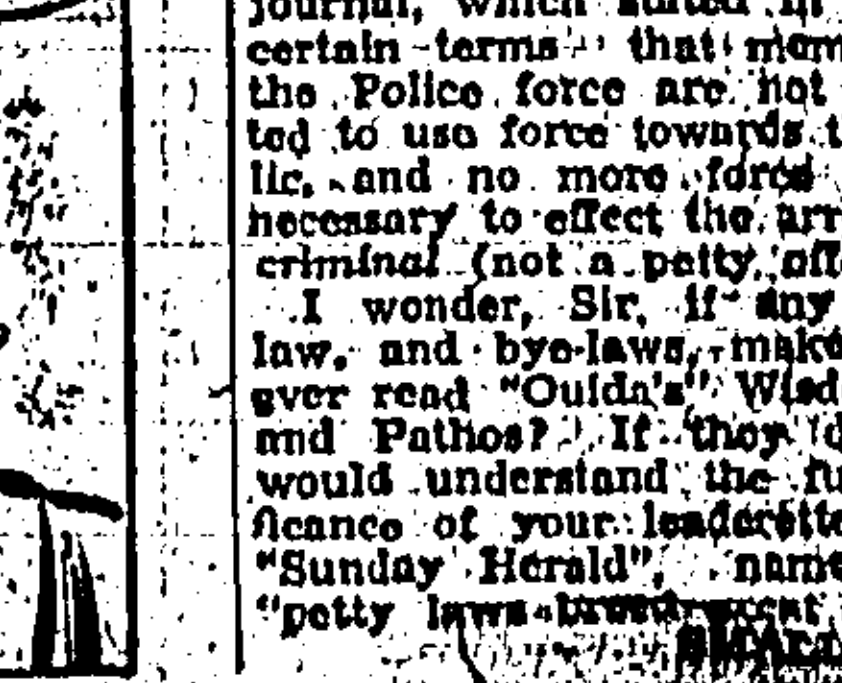
HERE'S YOUR PAY! I WON'T BE SEEING YOU AGAIN!



BUT THE BABIES... WHAT'S TO BECOME OF THEM?



GIVE THEM AWAY... I DON'T CARE! THIS INSTITUTION'S CLOSING ITS... WHAT'S THAT?



ACQUITTED OF CAMERA THEFT

Fung Man-tsun, of the China Optical Co., No. 80 Queen's Road, Central, was acquitted by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of receiving an allegedly stolen movie camera, valued at \$5,000, brought against him by Chuk Ching-yang, manager of the Nam Yuet Studio, No. 3 Hyssong Road.

Mr. Marcus da Silva represented the defendant, while Mr. Alfred Hon, on behalf of Mr. Chuk Ching-yang, appeared for the prosecution. The camera was ordered to be returned to Fung Man-tsun, defendant's father, the owner of the camera.

It was alleged by the prosecution that the camera was stolen from Chuk on his arrival here from Shanghai by the s.s. Hang Yang in February, 1946.

The camera was traced by the complaint to the Oriental Studio, which was operating in the name of the China Optical Company.

The defence claimed that it was bought by defendant's father during the Japanese occupation. He did not suspect it was stolen property.

Prison Escapee

Serving a term of four months' imprisonment for simple larceny, Leung Siu, 21, appeared before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday charged with escaping from legal custody.

According to Inspector Fleming, who prosecuted, defendant, while on work outside the prison compound, escaped.

Two European Officers found defendant a quarter of a mile away in long grass.

Defendant said that he had been informed by a visitor that his mother had died. It was for this reason that he attempted to escape.

Mr. d'Almada sentenced him to a further term of two years in addition to his present sentence of four months.

Dangerous Driving

"I cannot in this case justify a finding of guilty of dangerous driving under Sec. 4 of Ordinance 17 of 1947, but I consider the defendant did drive without due care and caution. If his lights had been properly on, he would undoubtedly have been able to avoid hitting this boy."

Mr. W. H. Latimer stated this yesterday when Tong Man-kun, 30, of No. 238 Portland Street, first floor, appeared at Kowloon Magistracy charged with dangerous driving resulting in the death of a 10-year-old boy on the night of March 12 at Cheungshawan Road.

Tong, represented by Mr. A.S.C. Comber, pleaded guilty to the charge of driving without due care and caution as laid by the Magistrate. He was fined \$400 and had his licence endorsed.

Did Not Report Accident

A hit and run driver, who "wasted a fair amount of police time and effort" and who would have got away lightly had he reported the "simple accident," was fined \$575 by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Yip Chung, 34-year-old licensed driver of No. 609, Reclamation Street, was charged with driving without due care and attention, failing to report an accident, and failing to stop after an accident.

Defendant, who was not represented legally, pleaded guilty to the first two counts, but pleaded not guilty to the last one, saying that he stopped and when he found out that it was a minor matter, drove away.

Sub-inspector Howarth told the Court that at about 10 a.m. last Wednesday a bicyclist in Lal Chi Kok Road was knocked down by motor cycle No. 370 driven by defendant, who came from the opposite direction.

The defendant was turning into Prince Edward Road when he collided with the cyclist. He stopped for about three minutes but drove away. The cyclist suffered slight injuries to his right thigh.

It was only an error of judgment, Sub-Inspector Howarth asserted. Had defendant reported the matter immediately it would not have been so serious as it was only a simple accident.

It was entirely the defendant's fault, SI Howarth added. Much time and effort was wasted because all Kowloon posts were alerted. The defendant was arrested four and a half hours after the accident.

Readers' Letters

DECENT BURIAL GIVEN JAPS?

Sir:—When I was in school years ago I was taught to always respect the dead, even if the deceased was one of the biggest rogues and murderers in his lifetime. The reason was carried so far as to doff my hat when seen at a funeral procession. I was, therefore, somewhat shocked to read in your issue of even date that the body of Lt. Kowaida Susuma had been recovered by the Police floating off the coast of Twined Bay. Reference to my file revealed that Lt. Susuma was one of the three men sentenced by the former No. 5 War Crimes Court for ill-treating POWs at the Saljokan Camp and its branches at Yokoku and Matsuyama in Formosa.

He was according to your report, hanged on April 7 and his body, with the hanger's wire loop still on his neck, found 18 days later, floating in the waters of Hong Kong. The question which naturally arises in one's mind is how did the body get there? Surely, Sir, prisoners executed at Stanley were, like those of every civilized country, buried within the precincts of the jail? Could it be, Mr. Editor, that because Susuma was a Formosan, and a war prisoner, his body was thrown to the fishes? And if so, was that the mode of burial adopted by the "competent authorities" in respect of all the other executed war criminals?

The British pride themselves on being chivalrous. Is sacrifice an offshoot of such chivalry? I hold the brief for Susuma or any war criminals (although I could not help recalling what John Hersey reported: Dr. Terufumi Sasaki of the Hiroshima Red Cross Hospital as having said in regard to the use of the atomic bomb, "I think they ought to try the men who decided to use atomic bombs and they should hang them all") but I do think that if common murderers could be given a burial of some sort bodies of war criminals should not be thrown into the sea.

I am confident, Sir, that hundreds of your readers are like myself, anxiously awaiting an explanation from the responsible authorities, and an assurance that Twined Bay is not checkfull of dead bodies. Will Government order a dredging of the locality for the recovery of any bodies which might not have floated to the top?

AN EURASIAN.
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Scarlet And Blue:
Sir,—In reply to the query of "Interested," the latest (1946) Britonica states inter alia:

"The Life Guards wear scarlet tunics with blue collars and cuffs and the Royal Horse Guards blue tunics with scarlet collars and cuffs. Both wear steel cuirasses on state occasions and on guard duty."

The headress is a steel helmet with drooping horsehair plume (white for Life Guards, red for Horse Guards). In full dress white buckskin pantaloons and long knee-boots are worn.

V. KENDRICK.

What Saith Confucius

Sir—What is this talk of "Union-Consensus" about his having consulted the Labour Office with the view to having our Teachers Association converted into a Trade Union? Has his thinking apparatus been so wrought upon by adversity that it has become temporarily or permanently wrecked? Our noble profession were a sublime calling, and he would have degraded to the plebeian plane of a tradesman. Where is his pride of being a maker of the future, great ones of the earth, both in and outside of the Civil Service?

And what has a "union" ever offered us that we should cast away the heritage of dignity and prestige that is ours not only to enjoy, but also to preserve and bequeath? What right have we any more than Esau to barter away confuted for Labour some general physical relief?

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By Order,

J. B. KITE,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th April, 1948.

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YUGOSLAVIA CLOSES BORDER

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Italians Protest To Belgrade

London, Apr. 28.
The Yugoslav border with Trieste was closed at dawn today, Rome Radio said tonight.

Yugoslav troop movements towards the border have been observed and Yugoslav forces have erected new observation posts along the border, the Radio added.

Italy has instructed her Ministry in Belgrade to draw the "most serious attention" of the Yugoslav Government to the recent frontier incident in which one Italian and one Yugoslav were killed in an exchange of shots.

The Italian Government has also agreed to the nomination of a mixed Italian-Yugoslav commission to investigate all disputes arising from any crossing of the boundary by Yugoslav troops.

Foreign Office circles said that if the Yugoslavs did not act with the necessary impartiality during the forthcoming work of the mixed commission, the Italian Government reserved the right to appeal to the Big Four to send their own representatives to work with the commission.

Italian Foreign Office circles said the shooting incident occurred in an uninhabited area where the Yugoslavs were known to have moved the boundary posts about 250 metres into Italian territory along about one kilometre.

According to Italian reports at least 11 other instances of Yugoslavs altering the frontier have been reported.

The Italian Government, it was learned, have protested repeatedly both in Belgrade and to the Yugoslav Minister in

Rome, but all notes were answered by the Yugoslavs refusing to acknowledge that any wrong had been done. Count Stozza, the Italian Foreign Minister, wrote to the Yugoslav Minister in Rome, M. Mladen Ivekovic, who answered: "The Yugoslav Government will make accurate enquiries to verify any irregularity of the boundary line."

A spokesman of the Yugoslav Legation in Rome stated today: "The incident took place on Yugoslav territory and the Italian soldier killed has been left there. The Yugoslav Government has proposed a mixed commission to carry out inquiries on the spot."—Reuter.

GREEKS RUSH TO WITHDRAW

Athens, Apr. 28.
The Greek community in Egypt was reported tonight to be rushing to the banks and withdrawing money in anticipation of compulsory registration of all Greek-owned assets abroad in gold and foreign exchange.

A bill providing for the eventual repatriation of part of such assets is expected to become law tomorrow.

Greeks in Egypt are reported to have withdrawn more than £500,000 in 24 hours.—Reuter.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

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"WHILST THERE'S LIFE"

Who is it that said "Whilst there's life, there's hope," or words to that effect? It probably couldn't have been Shakespeare, or else there must have been some "gimme" similar to bridge or at least whist in his time, of which there is no record. In this game of thirteen tricks, a declarer can sometimes make a series of plays something less than the best and thereby kick his contract away several times. Despite that, it is still possible that one of the defenders will come to his rescue with a honor that saves the bacon for him.

S. K Q 7 5 3
H. Q 6 5
D. J 10 7 3
C. 6 2

S. 10 8 4
H. 7 5 3
D. 9 6 5 2
C. K

(Dealer: South. North-South vulnerable.)

South West North East
1 C Pass 1 S Pass
2 NT Pass 3 S Pass
3 NT

Even the best get careless momentarily, have a lapse and then realize their slip, even as the player as Wayne Dorland, who was declared on this rubber deal in New York's Union League Club. When the heart 3 was led and East put the 9 on the dummy's low card, Mr. Dorland without thinking took the cheap trick with the ten. Then he realized he should have put in the K, since the A was almost surely with West and the Q thereby would become a certain

entry to dummy, making it possible to play spades the safest way, with four high-card rounds.

After that error, he laid down the spade A and overtook the J with the K, then scored the Q hoping for an even break of the heart. East, however, had been discarding a heart. Now two club tricks seemed necessary to get nine total, so he finessed the Q, losing to the K. West took the heart A, then led the 8 to the K, East discarding a diamond.

When the club A was now taken, it showed West had held a singleton and disclosed that Mr. Dorland should have brought in the club A before going to the dummy with spades, as a safeguard against just that situation; if the K hadn't dropped, he still could have led toward the Q to build a ninth trick.

Now, however, he seemed licked. But when he laid down the diamond A and K, the Q and J fell. East's diamond discard on the 7th trick, in hearts, therefore built the 10 as a winner of the trick that produced game. Absolutely perfect play, though, would have won 11 tricks.

Tomorrow's Problem
S. 10 8 5
H. A 6 3
D. 7 5 4
C. A K 4 2

S. K Q J 10
H. 7 5 4
D. 9 6 5 2
C. 6 2

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U.S. Warning To Russia

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The United States warned Russia today against "any violation by the Soviet military authorities in Austria of their obligations" and of American rights in Vienna.

Mr. George Marshall, Secretary of State, in a prepared statement told his press conference today that any such violation would be considered in assessing Soviet good faith at the Austrian treaty discussions in London.—Reuter.

Thousands Of Army Deserters

London, Apr. 28.
Viscount Addison, Labour Party leader of the House of Lords, said today that there are perhaps 10,000 British army deserters hiding in England.

Another 10,000 deserters, he said, had addresses outside the country when they entered the forces and most of them probably have gone home.

He gave the figures during his answer to questions from Lord Mancroft that the Government grant a general amnesty to deserters "before they lose their last shred of self-respect and degenerate into habitual criminals."

"All these considerations have been repeatedly considered," Lord Addison said, "and we shall do our best."—Associated Press.

MILITARY AID FOR EUROPE

Washington, Apr. 28.
The Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, said today that the State Department was considering the provision of military aid to the signatories of the Western European Union.

At his first press conference since his return from the Inter-American Conference at Bogota, Mr. Marshall declined to give any other information about proposals to implement President Truman's promise of support for the Western Union, made on March 15.

He emphasized that military aid was only one of a number of factors under consideration in connection with the implementation of President Truman's statement.

Mr. Marshall declined to say whether he had discussed American policy towards the Western European Union with Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Mr. Marshall said he had no plans for a meeting with the British and French Foreign Ministers to discuss the Western European Union.—Reuter.

Dr. Salazar Urges Help For Spain

Lisbon, Apr. 28.
The Portuguese Prime Minister, Dr. Antonio Salazar, urged the admission of Spain to the European aid programme as a means of "organising the resistance of Western Europe against Russia" in a speech here today.

Dr. Salazar also defended the admission of Germany into the European recovery scheme and the rehabilitation of Italy.

He was speaking at his office at Sao Bento Palace before hundreds of Army, Navy and Air Force officers congratulating him on the 20th anniversary of his entry into the Government, celebrated yesterday.

He said: "A great worry under which the Western countries are living is because the Allies seem to have rested upon victory, as victory meant peace, while Russia has continued to develop her powers and make use of her strategic positions as if the war had still to be carried on."

Dr. Salazar said there were three alternatives the world would expect from Russia in the near future—war, isolation or peaceful collaboration.

He added: "The world could only gain from the collaboration Russia could give for the solution of general problems, provided Moscow ceased the fomentation of revolutions."

Dr. Salazar said he did not believe the Russians would adopt the second alternative, isolation, and war would be the "worst hypothesis" because Western Europe would throw itself in decadence in a long, tragic and possibly unending night.—Reuter.

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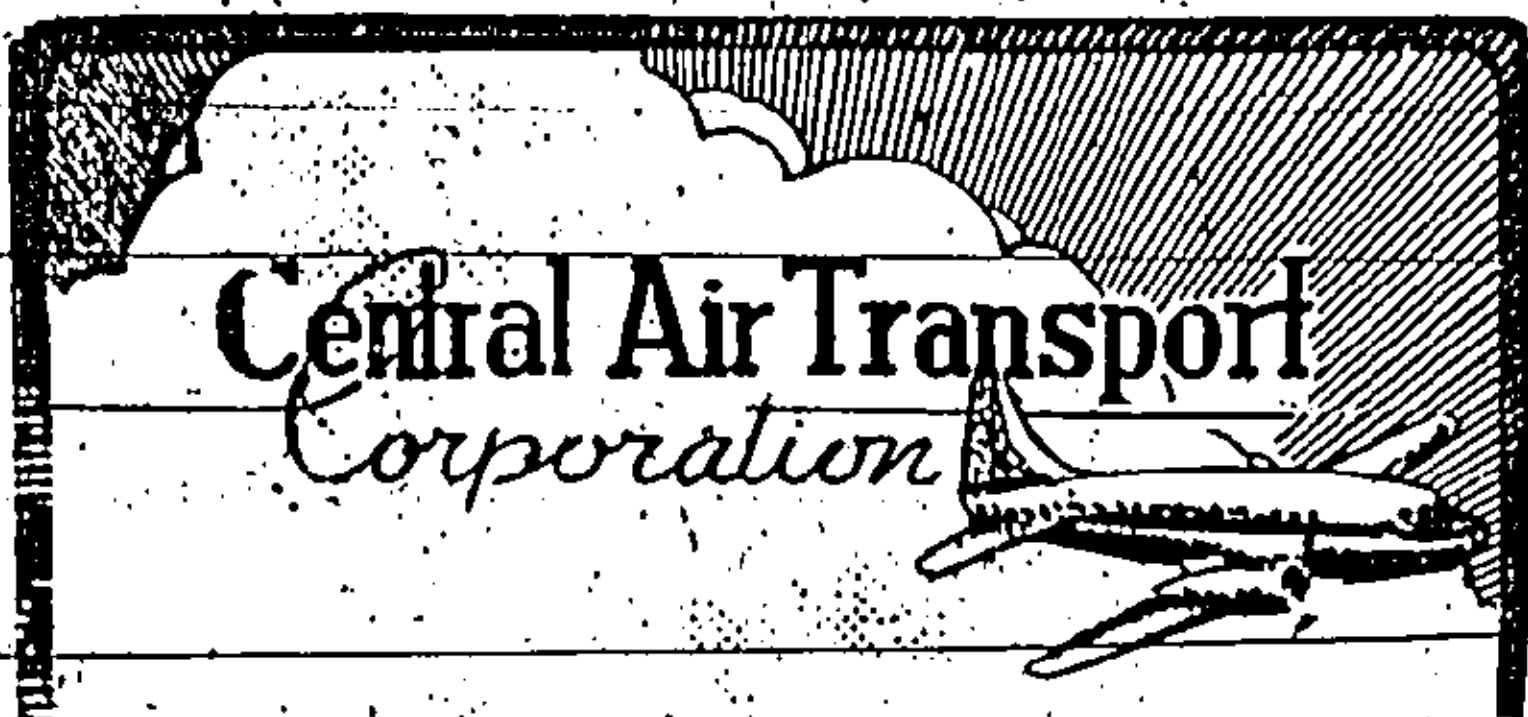
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ITALY'S ELECTION CHOICE

By common consent the outcome of the Italian General Election is highly significant. In a pitched battle the forces of Communism have suffered a resounding defeat. This is the obvious meaning of the Election from the international standpoint. What is its meaning for the Italian people themselves? The outcome can be no surprise. As soon as the main issues had been made plain to the Italian electors and especially once their Government had given them the impression that it knew its own mind and would act firmly against disorder, the sound common sense which, notwithstanding occasional appearances to the contrary, is a fundamental characteristic of the Italian temperament, would give the De Gasperi Administration adequate support against the Communist menace.

Signor de Gasperi has one main source of strength. It lies in the fact, often forgotten now-a-days, that before the advent of fascism, the Catholic Popular Party led by Don Luigi Sturzo held no fewer than 187 seats in the Italian Chamber and that it had gained them without official support of any kind. The present Christian Democratic Party is its successor, and its leader, Signor de Gasperi, holds the reins of power. Don Luigi Sturzo was and is a priest who could not or would not enter Parliament or take office. De Gasperi is a layman with practical experience of responsible administration and less obviously subject to ecclesiastical discipline. The Church, whose influence is considerable, is more openly on his side than it appeared to be on the side of Don Sturzo. The moral issues in the present struggle are also clearer than they were 26 years ago, and a high percentage of the Italian masses now understands them.

One source of possible weakness or of eventual strength—to the De Gasperi Administration remains. Don Sturzo's programme of social reforms estranged many of the Conservative Catholics, especially the large landowners of the South, and disquieted some people in the Vatican. They welcomed Fascism as likely to save them from Socialism and reforming Catholic "populism" alike. Now they may have learned that social reform is the only alternative to Communism.

If Signor de Gasperi should fear to arouse their opposition by drastic social reform, the Italian masses might think him weak and waver in their fidelity to the principles he proclaims. But should he have the courage boldly to tackle social reform, he may hold the allegiance of the masses and even of Moderate Socialists for many a day.

A sudden spring snowstorm brought the Greek Army offensive in South Central Greece to a virtual halt today and provided a possible means of escape for 1,500 to 2,000 guerrillas previously believed trapped. Associated Press.



Mr. Eden, as this extract reveals, had reasons for leaving the Foreign Office on Feb. 20, 1938, which could not be stated at the time. In particular, he had been perturbed by the rebuff with which Mr. Chamberlain had met President Roosevelt's offer to intervene in the European war.

The actual breach between Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Eden came over a new and separate issue. On the evening of Jan. 11, 1938, Mr. Sumner-Wellles, the American Under-Secretary of State, called upon the British Ambassador in Washington. He was the bearer of a secret and urgent message from President Roosevelt to Mr. Chamberlain.

The President was deeply anxious at the deterioration of the international situation, and proposed to take the initiative by inviting the representatives of certain Governments to Washington to discuss the deadlock of the present differences. Before taking this step, however, he wished to consult the British Government on their view of such a plan.

He asked that not later than Jan. 17 he should be given a reply to his message, and intimated that only if it contained approval and whole-hearted support of his Majesty's Government would he then approach the Governments of France, Germany and Italy. Here was a formidable and measureless task.

In forwarding this most secret message to London, the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsay, commented that in his view the President's plan was a genuine effort to relax international tension, and that if his Majesty's Government withheld their support the progress which had been made in Anglo-American co-operation would be destroyed.

The Foreign Office received the Washington telegram on Jan. 12, and copies were sent to the Prime Minister in the country that evening. On the following morning he came to London, and on his instructions a reply was sent to the President's message. Mr. Eden was at this time on a brief holiday in the South of France.

Mr. Chamberlain's reply was to the effect that he appreciated the confidence of President Roosevelt in consulting him in this fashion "and his proposal to come back to the President's message, but he wished to explain the position of his own efforts to reach agreement with Germany and Italy, particularly in the case of the latter."

"His Majesty's Government would be prepared, for their part, to propose the League of Nations, to recognise de jure the Italian occupation of Abyssinia, if they found that the Italian Government on their side were ready to give evidence of their desire to contribute to the restoration of confidence and friendly relations."

The Prime Minister mentioned these facts, the message continued, so that the President might consider whether his present proposal might not cut across the British efforts. Would it not therefore be wise to postpone the launching of the American plan?

This reply was received by the President with some disappointment. He intimated that he would reply by letter to Mr. Chamberlain on Jan. 17. On the evening of Jan. 15 the Foreign Secretary returned to England. He had been urged to come back by his devoted officials at the Foreign Office. The vigilant Alexander Cadogan awaited him on the pier at Dover.

Mr. Eden, who had worked long and hard to improve Anglo-American relations, was deeply perturbed. He immediately sent a telegram to Sir Ronald Lindsay attempting to minimise the effects of Mr. Chamberlain's chilling answer.

The President's letter reached London on the morning of Jan. 18. In it he agreed to postpone making his proposal in view of the fact that the British Government were contemplating direct negotiations, but he added that he was gravely concerned at the suggestion that his Majesty's Government might accord recognition to the Italian position in Abyssinia. He thought that this would have a most harmful effect upon Japanese policy in the Far East and upon American public opinion.

The President's letter was considered at a series of meetings of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Cabinet. Mr. Eden succeeded in procuring a considerable modification of the previous attitude. Most of the Ministers thought he was satisfied. He did not make it clear to them that he was not.

Following these discussions two

The Thirteenth Instalment MR. EDEN'S RESIGNATION

messages were sent to Washington on the evening of Jan. 21. The substance of these replies was that the Prime Minister warmly welcomed the President's initiative, but was not anxious to bear any responsibility for its failure if American overtures were badly received.

Mr. Chamberlain wished to point out that we did not accept in an unqualified manner the President's suggested procedure, which would clearly irritate both the Dictators and Japan. Nor did his Majesty's Government go to the President's aid in the great risks in his own domestic politics by deliberately involving the United States in the darkening European scene. All the forces of isolationism would have been aroused if any part of these interchanges had transpired.

On the other hand no event could have been more likely to start off, or even prevent, war than the arrival of the United States in the circle of European hates and fears. To Britain it was a matter almost of life and death. No one can measure in retrospect its effect upon the course of events in Austria and Italy.

We must regard its rejection—for such it was—as the loss of the last frail chance to save the world from tyranny otherwise than by war.

That Mr. Chamberlain, with his limited outlook and inexperience of the European scene, should have possessed the self-sufficiency to wave away the proffered hand stretched out across the Atlantic leaves one, even at this date, breathless with amazement.

It must have been with declining confidence in the future that Mr. Eden went to Paris on Jan. 25 to consult with the French. Everything now turned upon the success of the approach to Italy, of which we had made such a point in our replies to the President.

The French Ministers impressed upon Mr. Eden the necessity of the inclusion of Spain in any general settlement with the Italians; on this he needed little convincing. On Feb. 10 the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary met Count Grandi, who declared that the Italians were ready in principle to open the conversation.

On Feb. 15 the news came of the submission of the Austrian Chancellor, Schuschnigg, to the German demand for the introduction into the Austrian Cabinet of the chief Nazi agent, Seyss-Inquart, as Minister of the Interior and Head of the Austrian Police.

This grave event did not avert the personal crisis between Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Eden. On Feb. 18 they saw Count Grandi again. This was the last business they conducted together.

The Ambassador refused either to discuss the Italian position to Austria or to consider the British plan for the withdrawal of volunteers, or so-called volunteers, in this case five divisions of the regular Italian Army from Spain. Grandi asked, however, for general conversation to be opened in Rome. The Prime Minister wished for these, and the Foreign Secretary was strongly opposed to such a step.

There were prolonged parleys and Cabinet meetings. Of these the only authoritative account yet disclosed is in Mr.

Chamberlain's biography. Mr. Feiling says that the Prime Minister "let the Cabinet see that the alternative to Eden's resignation might be his own."

At the end Mr. Eden briefly tendered his resignation. Mr. Chamberlain was impressed by the distress of the Cabinet. Seeing how his colleagues had been taken back I proposed an adjournment until next day.

But Eden saw no use in continuing a search for formulas, and by midnight on the 20th his resignation became final. "Greatly to his credit, as I see it," noted the Prime Minister, Lord Halifax was at once appointed Foreign Secretary in his place.

I had carefully abstained from any communication with Mr. Eden. I hoped he would not on any account resign without building up his case beforehand, and giving his many friends in Parliament a chance to draw out the issues. But the Government at this time was so powerful and

solid that the struggle was fought out inside the Ministerial councils, and mainly between the two men.

Late in the night of Feb. 20 a telephone message reached me as I sat in my old room at Chartwell (as I often sit now) that Mr. Eden had resigned. I must confess that my heart sank, and for a while the dark waters of despair overwhelmed me.

In a long life I have had many ups and downs. During all the war years I never had any trouble in sleeping. In the crisis of 1940, when so much responsibility lay upon me, and also of many very anxious, awkward moments in the following five years, I could always flop into bed and go to sleep after the day's work was done—subject, of course, to any emergency call. I slept sound and awoke refreshed and had no feelings except appetite to grapple with whatever the morning's boxes might bring.

But now on this night of Feb. 20, 1938, and on this occasion only sleep deserted me. From midnight till dawn I lay in my bed consumed by emotions of sorrow and fear. There seemed one strong young figure standing up against loss, dismay, drawing lines of drift and surrender, of wrong measurements and feeble impulses.

My conduct of affairs would have been different from his in various ways, but he seemed to me at this moment to embody the life-hope of the British nation, the grand old British race that had done so much for men, and had yet some more to give.

Now he was gone. I watched the daylight slowly creep in through the windows, and saw before me in mental gaze the vision of Death.

(To be Continued)

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Easy Passage Of Hanging Bill In House Of Lords

London, Apr. 28.

The House of Lords tonight approved in principle a bill which would abolish the death penalty for murder for a five-year trial period.

"Rusch" Aboard Steamer

Melbourne, Apr. 28.

When the Egyptian migrant ship *Misir* reached Melbourne on Wednesday, passengers complained of maltreatment by the ship's officers. They also alleged that sanitary accommodation was inadequate and dormitory conditions unsatisfactory.

Major G. A. Friend, a former British Army officer, said that he led a deputation to the master, Captain Drexel. Before hearing the protests Drexel placed a revolver on his table.

Interviewed on Wednesday night, Drexel said it was necessary to treat a "rusch" with armed force. He added "when passengers get together and plan against ship's officers, the only thing is to shoot and then it is finished."

Drexel explained that a "rusch" was a word used in Germany to denote a panicked revolt against authority. Associated Press.

FILM DUTY TO BE REVOKED

London, Apr. 28.

The Treasury announced that the 75 percent import duty on foreign films will be revoked on May 3. This is in accordance with the recent Anglo-American film agreement.

The duty was imposed last August to save dollar expenditures on American films, and until the settlement agreement was negotiated, cut off supply of films from the United States. Associated Press.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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CHINA STUDIES RECOVERY

Shanghai, Apr. 29.

An overall economic recovery programme, based on the forthcoming American Aid to China, including an extension of rationing, and the recall of inflated currency, is being considered by financial authorities in Nanking, according to informed sources here.

These sources are said to favour the choice of Mr. Donald Gilpatrick, head of the United States China Relief Mission, as United States representative to head the China Aid scheme.

Chinese experts are reported to be giving special study to the currency problem. In the view of financial circles, one third of the total United States economic aid of US\$400,000,000 will be sufficient to stabilize the currency.

The same circles believed that an extension of the present rationing system in five main Chinese cities, coupled with a check on inflation, will do much towards halting the deterioration of China's economy. —Reuter.

U.S. Blow At Red Party

Washington, Apr. 28.

The House Un-American Activities Committee approved unanimously today a bill to allow for the criminal prosecution of Communist Party officials and to expose party members and fronts.

The Committee hopes to put the bill to the House of Representatives next week.

Under the bill, the leaders of the Communist Party would be subject to prosecution on criminal charges of conspiracy to overthrow the Government, the maximum penalty being 10 years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine.

The Communist Party would have to register with the Department of Justice within 30 days of the bill's passage and file a list of all members in the preceding year.

The maximum punishment for violating the registration laws would be five years' imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine. Imprisonment would be suspended for first-time offenders.

The Committee decided not to include the Communist Party Members of the Committee doubted whether this would be constitutional. —Reuter.

Norway Releases British Ships

Oslo, Apr. 28.

Two of three British trawlers detained by Norwegian authorities for fishing in Norwegian territorial waters were released today after their captains agreed to pay penalties of 20,000 Kroner or about £1,000.

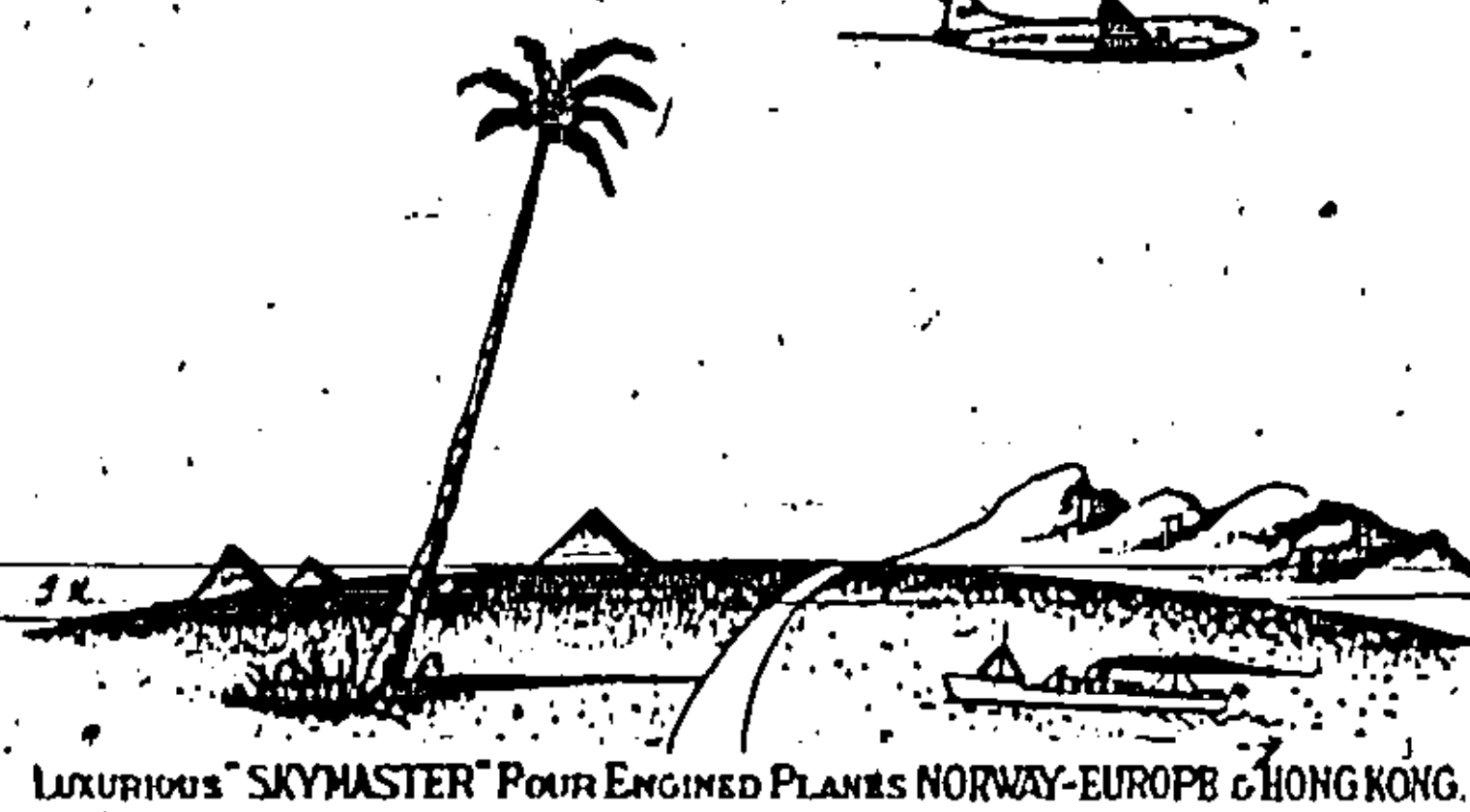
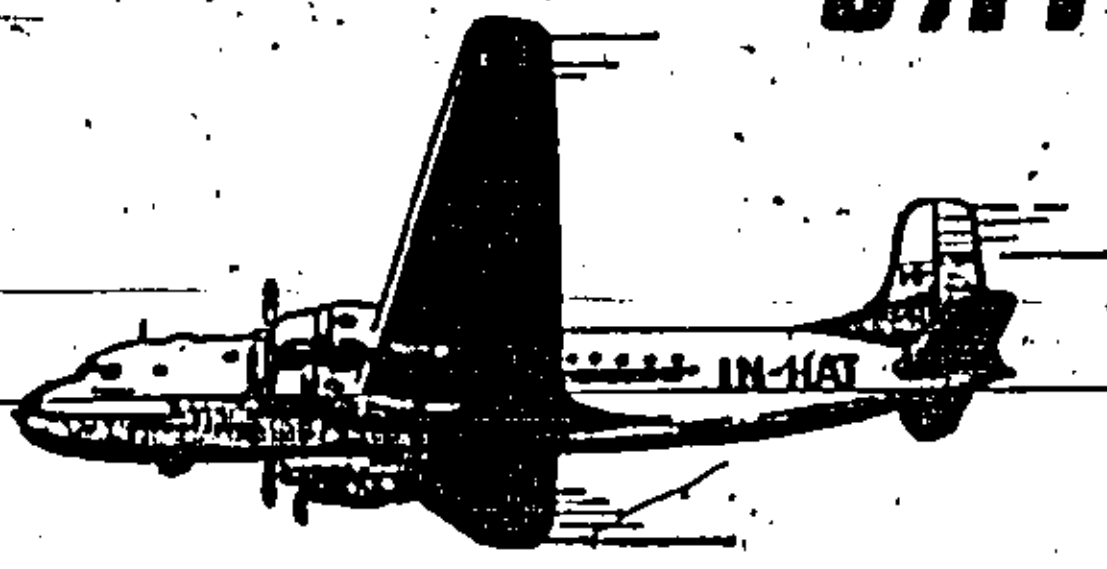
The police at Kirkenes told the Associated Press that Captain Charles Roberts of the "Rotherby" of Fleetwood and Captain Robert Wilson of the "Equerry" of Grimsby admitted that they had been fishing in Norwegian waters when they were seized by a Norwegian corvette on Monday night.

They said they each had caught about 21 tons of fish in the waters near Kirkenes, the police reported. Captain Green of the "Lacenia" of Grimsby, denied fishing in Norwegian waters but was fined 100 Kroner because his fishing gear was on deck and he was obviously preparing to fish when detained. The police said.

The Lacenia left Kirkenes later on Tuesday night. The police spokesman said the catches of the first two trawlers were left at Kirkenes and would not be used by the Norwegian authorities.

Roberts' home is at Hissle near Hull, Yorkshire, and Wilson and Green are from Grimsby. As Lacenia or Grimsby, denied fishing in Norwegian waters but was fined 100 Kroner because his fishing gear was on deck and he was obviously preparing to fish when detained. The police said.

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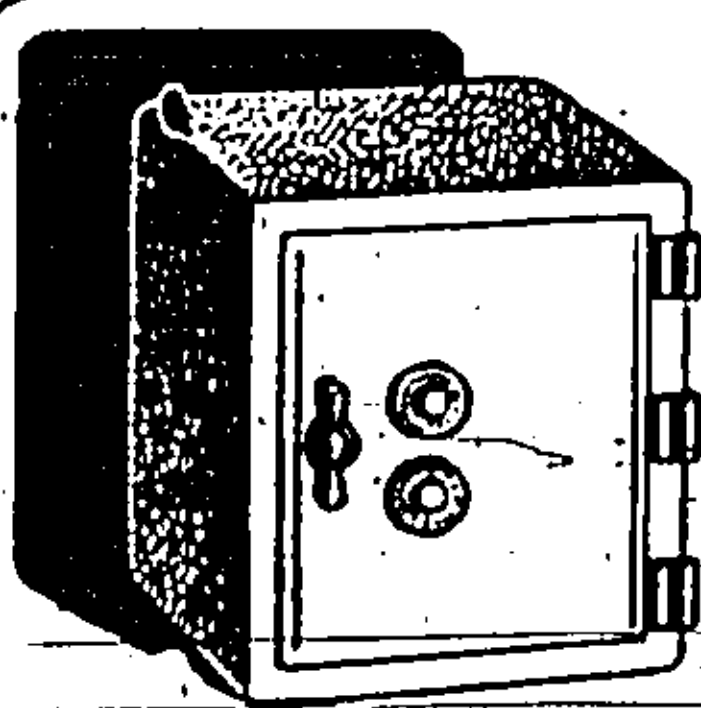
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NO REVERSAL OF PROCESS Withdrawal From Palestine To Go On Negotiations In U.S. Denied

London, Apr. 28.
The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, insisted today that Britain could not "at this late hour" reverse the process of her withdrawal from Palestine.
Mr. Bevin was asked in Parliament under what circumstances the British Government was prepared to carry on, or take part, in the administration of Palestine after May 15, when the mandate is due to end.

The Foreign Secretary replied by recalling a statement by the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, in New York last October that, if there was a settlement between the Jews and Arabs, the British Government would, if desired, continue the administration of Palestine during the limited period before the transfer of independence and would consider an invitation to take part in giving effect to such a settlement in partnership with other members of the United Nations.
"But there has been no agreement between Jews and Arabs," Mr. Bevin said.
"Moreover, the withdrawal of British administrative personnel has begun and is proceeding rapidly and we cannot reverse the process at this late hour."

No Negotiations

Mr. Bevin denied that any negotiations were taking place in the United States to require the presence of British troops in Palestine after Aug. 1—the date by which the British Government intends them to be withdrawn.
"The only negotiations going on are those in the United Nations," he said.

Mr. Seymour Coombs, Labour, drew Mr. Bevin's attention to a "public declaration by King Abdullah of Transjordan that he intended to invade Palestine."
He asked what Mr. Bevin intended to do about this under the terms of Britain's alliance with Transjordan.
Mr. Bevin replied that he did not see what steps under the terms of the alliance with Transjordan this announcement required.

Arms Supplies

Mr. Bevin said the intention was that the withdrawal of the Arab Legion from Palestine should be completed before the mandate ended. The British Government was obliged by the treaty to pay a subsidy to Transjordan for the Arab Legion and to provide certain British Service personnel for the force.

Those obligations would still be in force when the mandate ended.
Mr. Ben Levy, Labour, asked if the supply of British equipment, money, and officers was to continue to Transjordan irrespective of whom they might elect to attack.

Mr. Bevin replied: "You must not assume that. This matter is before the United Nations and I

must await the result of the discussions. I am not going to be drawn into promises and commitments about the Transjordan force until I know the final decision of the United Nations."

Mr. Tuffon Beamish, Conservative, asked if it would be inaccurate and misleading to describe the entry of Arab troops into Arab parts of Palestine for the protection of Arab interests at the Arabs' request as invasion.
Mr. Bevin: "I prefer not to enter into hypothetical discussions at this stage."

Mr. Coombs asked whether the Foreign Secretary would not suspend delivery of arms to the Arab States and whether he would allow the Jews to have arms with which to defend themselves in view of the War Council of the Arab States just held in Transjordan.

Mr. Bevin: "From all my information from Palestine at the moment, it seems to me that the Jews are the best armed, but I cannot draw distinctions."—Reuter.

Arab Countries May Leave U.N.

Baghdad, Apr. 28.
The Governments of the Arab Middle East countries are considering withdrawing from membership of the United Nations, well-informed political sources said in Baghdad today.

Joint Defence Plan

Washington, Apr. 27.
The United States and Great Britain now have a joint plan of action ready in case of a sudden attack by Russia in Berlin or elsewhere, the newspaper, Washington Post, said today.

According to the Post, a secret visit last month by Lieut. Gen. Sir Leslie Hollis, Deputy Military Secretary of the British Cabinet, was the occasion for setting up a special co-ordinated plan which up to then was not formulated.

The combined Chiefs of Staff, which met all during the war, had continued to meet once monthly but conferences were of a routine nature apparently. Only when the "crisis" in Berlin and other world events raised anxiety to a high pitch both here and in Europe did the two nations take up consideration of actual possible operations.

The Post writer says that the Combined Chiefs, as an institution, has now come back to life, and an emergency next week or next month would find American and British acting as one. Few authorities of either country regard an immediate crisis as probable but the role of the military staffs will be to be ready for anything.—United Press.

Railwaymen To Strike

Cleveland, Apr. 28.
Three American railwaymen's unions today fixed May 11 as the date for a strike of 122,000 men which would paralysed the United States transport system.
The Locomotive Engineers, Firemen and Switchmen's unions, which are seeking 30 per cent wage increases and changes in working rules, broke off negotiations with their employers shortly before midnight last night—the deadline for a settlement of the dispute.
The strike would affect 132 of the largest rail routes in the country.—Reuter.

Czech Firms Nationalised

Prague, Apr. 28.
The Czechoslovak Parliament tonight approved the nationalisation of all industries and businesses employing more than 50 people and passed a special bill nationalising the Czech Radio Corporation.

Deputies stood and sang the National Anthem as the bills were passed.

The Foreign Trade Minister, M. Antonin Gregor, reminded Parliament of the "political and cultural" functions of foreign traders and said he hoped the gaps opened by political misunderstandings would be closed.—Reuter.

DEFENCE AGREEMENT REPORTED

London, Apr. 28.
Reports that the United States and Britain had agreed on a joint plan of defence against Russia lent new importance today to the Western European military talks opening here on Friday.

The talks might well provide the first concrete post-war military link between the United States and Britain on one side and France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg on the other.

The Times prominently published a despatch quoting the Washington Post that an Anglo-American plan for joint action in the event of a sudden Soviet attack in Berlin or elsewhere, was approved recently by the combined Chiefs of Staff.

The BBC broadcast a despatch to the same effect from its Washington correspondent, although it did not identify Russia as the expected attacker. A spokesman disclaimed knowledge of such an agreement. However, other well-informed sources were inclined to accept the report at face value.

They pointed out that the United States and Britain had agreed over a year ago to standardize small arms, exchange cadets and cooperate otherwise in the military field.
These quarters expect the five-power military conference to extend such joint measures and plans to France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg.—United Press.

Russian Treaty Approved

Helsinki, Apr. 28.
The Finnish Parliament after a three-hour debate today approved the Finnish-Russian treaty of friendship and mutual assistance by 157 votes to 11 defeating the proposal to disapprove the treaty made by the Liberal Party leader, Kalle Kauppi.

The treaty was passed on an open vote which was demanded by the Communists.

The debate was orderly and peaceful. Nineteen Deputies spoke but only the Liberals opposed it.
The galleries were only half filled and there were no crowds outside the Parliamentary Palace. The police took no special precautions in the vicinity of Parliament although the state of preparedness decreed two days ago was still effective.
Kauppi's amendment to reject the treaty was defeated by 140 votes to 16.—United Press.

Tory Censure Motion

London, Apr. 28.
The Conservatives last night tabled a motion in the House of Commons censuring Government's handling of Palestine.

The motion, in the name of Lord Hinchinbrooke, criticized the Government for failing to quell Jewish-Arab fighting, for failing to punish "known murderers" of British servicemen, and "in general for their abdication of the high and honourable duty of Government prior to the transfer of the mandate in a country which is the cradle of civilization and a centre of world religion."

Tableing the motion, does not necessarily bring it to vote.—United Press.

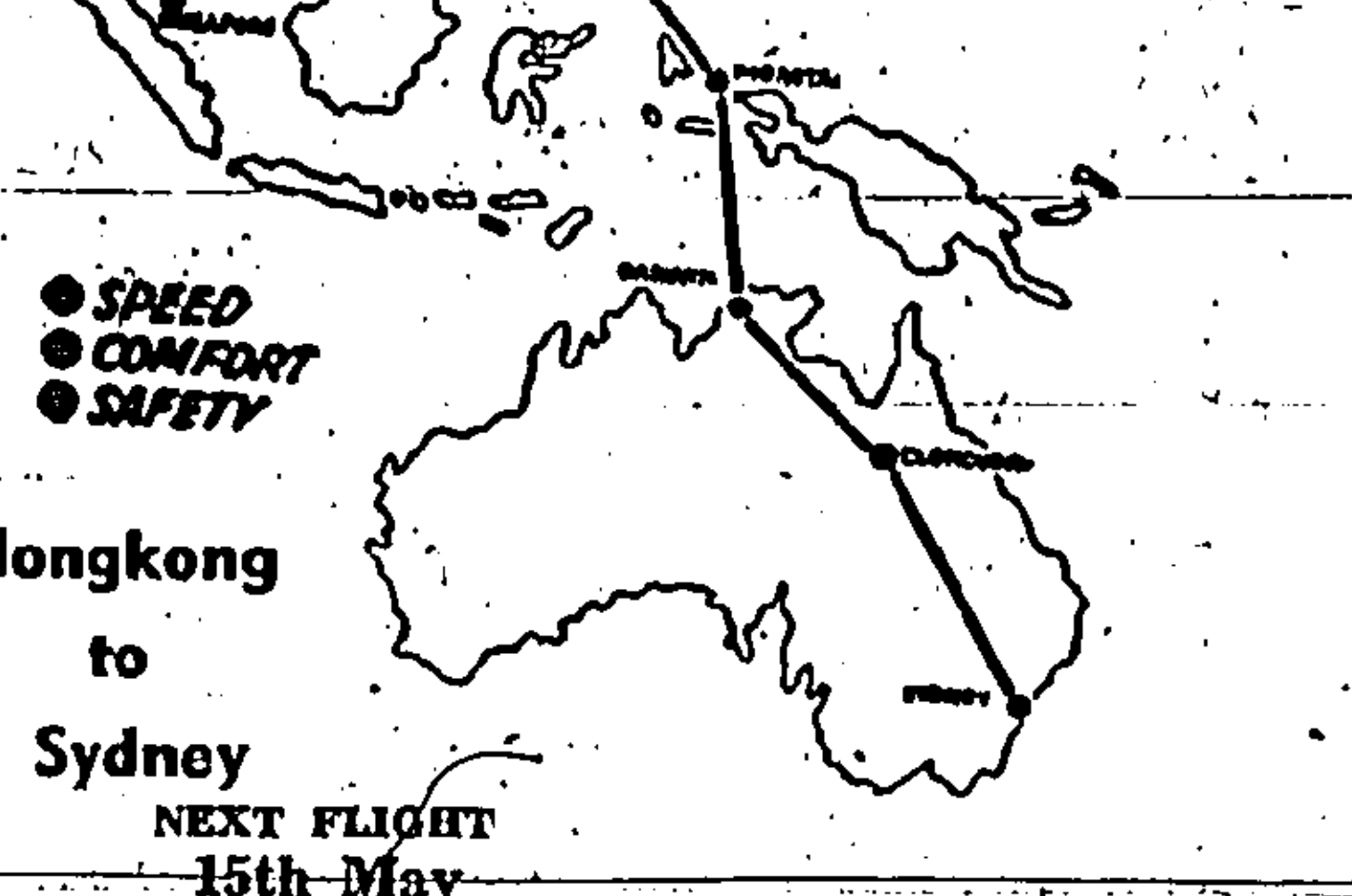
SCROLL FOR SALAZAR

Canton, Apr. 28.
Premier Antonio Salazar of Portugal, who celebrated yesterday his 20th anniversary of continuous public service, will be the recipient of a Chinese scroll sent by Governor T.V. Soong inscribed "Vigorous and Brave International Figure" in Chinese.

The scroll was forwarded through Dr. Jose Calvet, Consul for Portugal in Canton, who sent the scroll to Macao, by air via Hong-Kong yesterday.
Celebrations were held yesterday in Macao.—Associated Press.

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Sydney, Apr. 27.
Francis Cardinal Spellman, of New York, now attending the Catholic Centenary celebration at Melbourne, plans to leave Australia on May 20 for visits in Singapore and China.—Associated Press.

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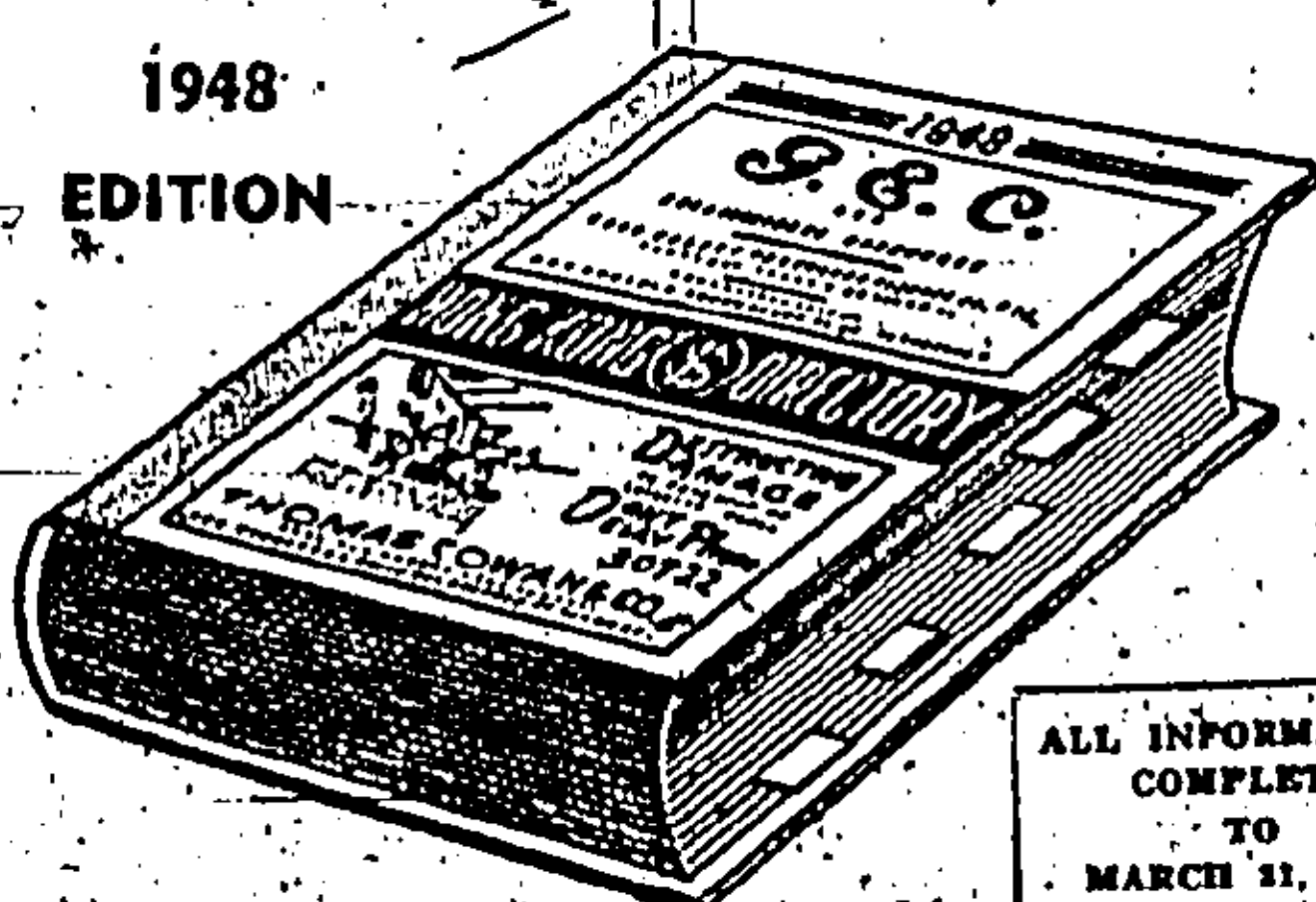
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World War I enforced the decline of British cinema, and the Americans, who, by this time,

had begun to build up their world market from California, came to the top: the great period of American cinema then opened. The problem for Britain was to begin all over again in the face of the established Hollywood films. Production was very small until legislation was introduced in 1927 (the first

total shown, this proportion has never yet risen beyond about 20 per cent.

Nation Of
Cinema-Goers

But during the past 20 years, and notably during the past 10, British production has revived strongly.

By **ROGER MANVELL**

Quota Act) to protect the British producer by legally obliging cinemas in Britain to show a proportion of British-made films. Beginning at five per cent. of

Britain is a nation of cinema-goers. The number of seats sold in a week has on occasion risen to over 30 million, and even in the hottest weather seldom sinks below 23 million. From the British producers, requiring any further protection from the competition of the American film, in the past five years Britain's pictures have become the biggest successes of all at the box-office. The old disadvantage that British actors and actresses could never become

stars unless they first appeared in American films now no longer applies, for Britain's pictures are penetrating the world market with the result that her artists are becoming as well-known as the American stars.

Britain's annual output of full-length feature films has averaged little more than 30 since World War II. More than usual stress, however, has been laid on the quality of these films, which, since the end of 1945, have included such titles as "Brief Encounter", "Caesar and Cleopatra", "Men of Two Worlds", "Theirs is the Glory", "The Overlanders", "A Matter of Life and Death", "Great Expectations", "Odd Man Out", "Hera and Cry", "Temptation Harbour", "The Brothers", "Take My Life", "The October Man", "Fame is the Spur", "An Ideal Husband", "Mine Own Executioner", "It Always Rains on Sunday", and "Anna Karenina". A number of these films were made by Sir Michael Balcon's Ealing Studios which, although independent of the Rank Organisation, nevertheless has its films distributed through that organisation in Britain and abroad.



Betty Hutton and John Lund in a scene from "The Perils of Pauline" which is soon to be shown in Hong Kong.

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THE LADY FROM SHANGHAI

Stars: Rita Hayworth and Orson Welles.
Story: Of a reckless woman, married to a brilliant lawyer, though warped, who delights in sadistic mental cruelty towards his wife. Into her life comes Welles, a swaggering Irish sailor. It finally develops into a tense murder mystery and the final working out of the grim drama of the triangle played by Rita Hayworth, Welles and Everett Sloane.



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Current Shows

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STAR—"The Time Of Their Lives." With Bud Abbott and Lou Costello.

ALHAMBRA—"Good News." With June Allyson and Peter Lawford.

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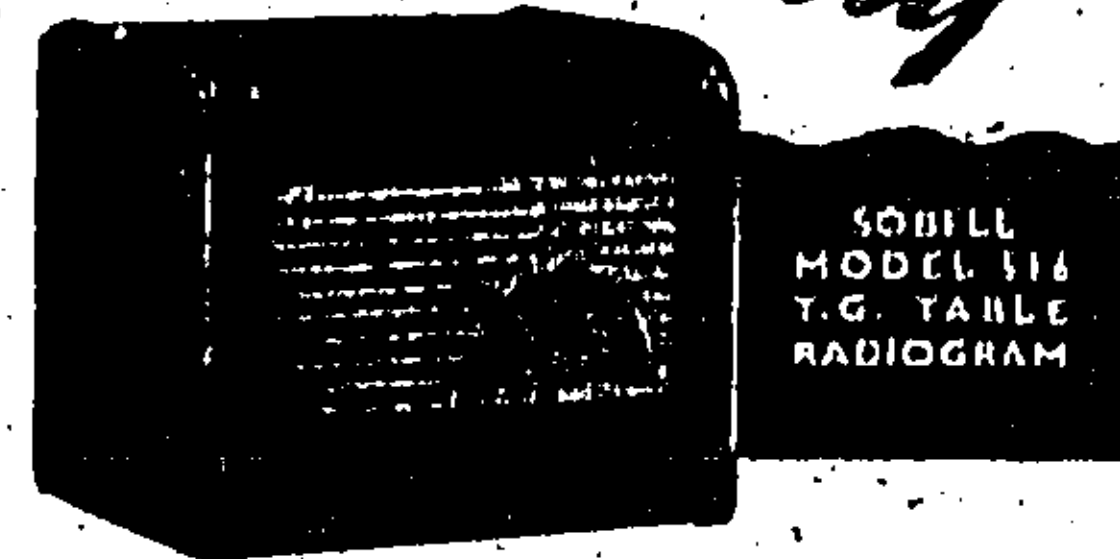


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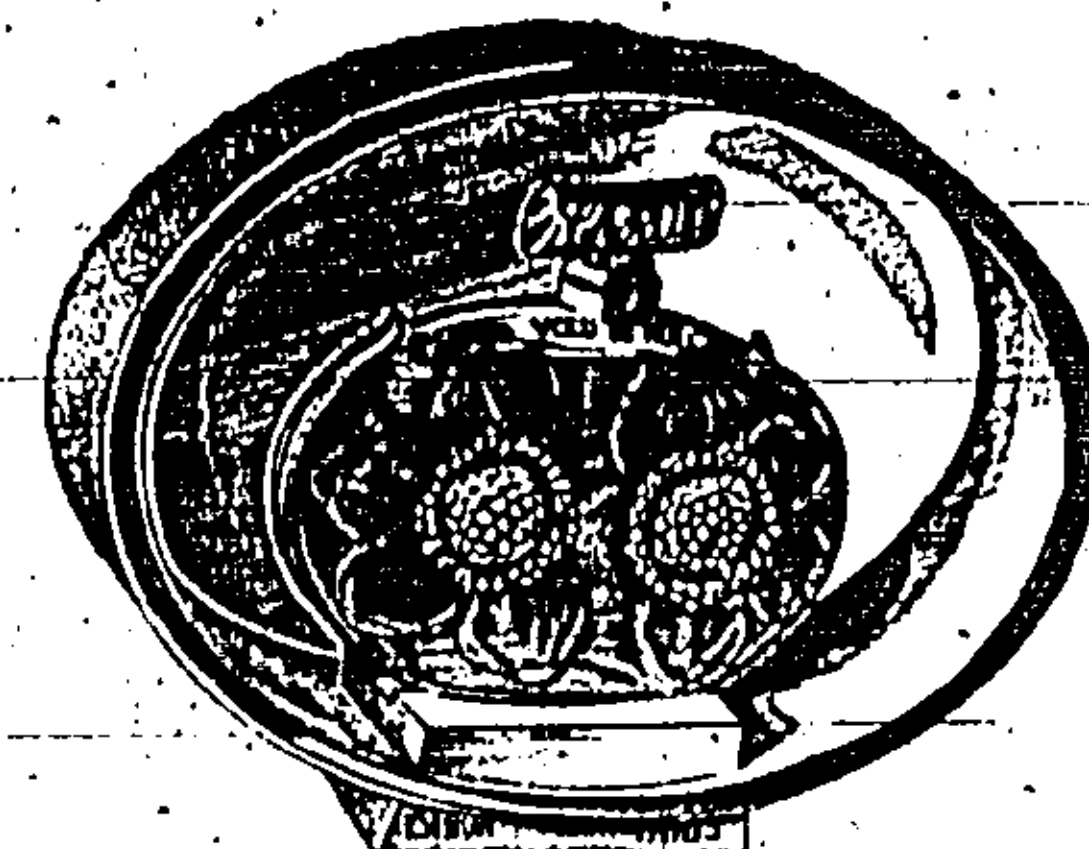
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JERUSALEM TRUCE AGREEMENT

Declarations By Arabs And Jews Cease-Fire Plan For Holy City

Lake Success, Apr. 28.

Arab and Jewish representatives told the United Nations Trusteeship Council tonight that they were prepared to send telegrams to their organisations in Palestine recommending an immediate cease-fire inside the walls of the Old City of Jerusalem.

Mr. Moshe Shertok, of the Jewish Agency, and Jamal Hussein, for the Palestine Arab Higher Committee, both agreed that, providing the other side observed a truce, they would recommend to their parent bodies to declare an immediate cease-fire inside the boundaries of the Old City.

Mr. Shertok reiterated his preference for a truce which would cover at least the municipal area of Jerusalem. Jamal Hussein also reiterated his previously expressed desire that Haganah forces should be withdrawn from the Old City, but he did not press this point, and the general impression in the Council was that the Arabs would not make this a condition of acceptance.

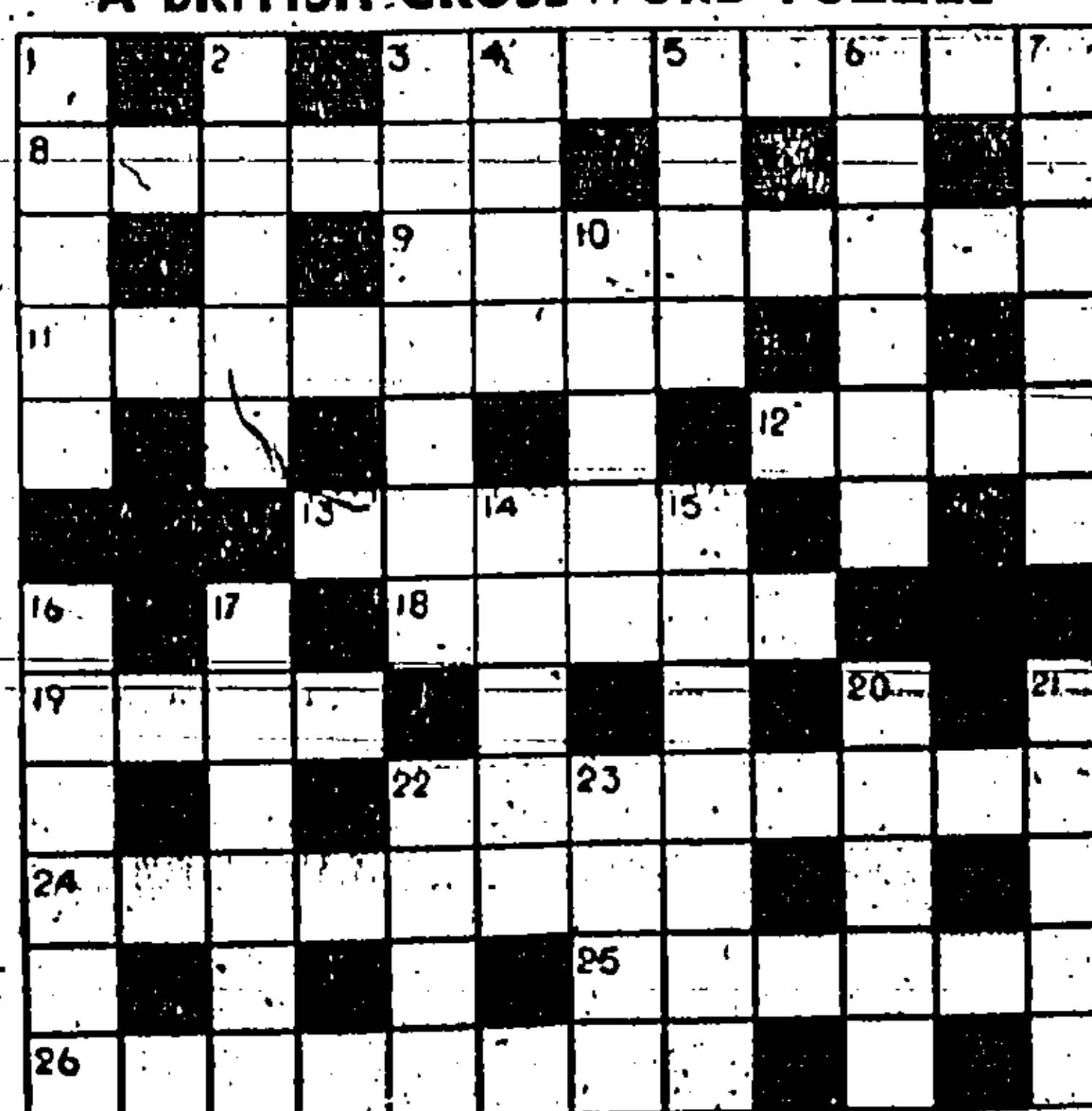
Earlier, Awn Khaldil (Iraq) had expressed on behalf of the Arab States their view that a "truce" in the Old City of Jerusalem is feasible and ought to be recommended to the General Assembly.

Khaldil proposed this Jerusalem truce should observe the following main principles:

- 1.—There should be a "freezing" of military positions inside the Old City.
 - 2.—Arrangements should be made to afford complete protection to the Holy Places and the population inside the Old City.
 - 3.—A supervisory body should be established, composed, perhaps, of the various religious groups represented in Jerusalem under the chairmanship of a Christian prelate.
 - 4.—That provision for food and medical supplies for the Old City should be allowed free entry under the supervision of the ecclesiastical supervisory body.
- Both the Jewish and Arab representatives made it clear to the Council they were not themselves in position to order a cease-fire. But they both agreed to send immediate cables to their organisations notifying them that both sides had agreed to a truce in principle and recommending that appropriate orders for a

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A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

- 3 Easily led.
- 8 Drink.
- 9 Discussion.
- 11 Stammers.
- 12 Scrutinise.
- 13 Light meal.
- 18 Verdant.
- 19 Implement.
- 23 Colossal.
- 24 Repeat.
- 25 Pelt.
- 26 Eyes.
- 27 Insecure.
- 28 Sack.
- 29 Tolerate.

Clues Down

- 1 Primary.
- 2 Concerning.
- 3 Lussening.
- 4 Lake.
- 5 Intelligence.
- 6 Quarrel.
- 7 Stretch.
- 10 Equipped.
- 11 Stared.
- 12 Enjoy.
- 13 Arras.
- 14 Terror.
- 15 Pivot.
- 16 Lures.
- 18 Desist.
- 19 Wound.
- 22 Demour.
- 23 Shivering.
- 24 Dense.
- 25 Scar.

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Lancashire Move For Textile Action

Manchester, April 28.
Lancashire cotton trade and trade union leaders today urged Government to take action on the report of the recent Anglo-United States textile conference, which recommended restricting the Japanese textile industry to 3,500,000 spindles. In 1939, the Japanese cotton industry had a capacity of 11,000,000 spindles.

Sir Raymond Street, Chairman of the Cotton Board, said that the President of the Board of Trade had been asked to receive a deputation from the industry to discuss the report. "A great deal depends on whether Japan will export small, moderate or large quantities of textiles in the future and whether their prices will be on a low level or high compared with the United States and United Kingdom prices," he said. —Reuter.

DEFENCE TALKS START IN LONDON TO-DAY

London, Apr. 28.
The Defence Minister, Mr. A. V. Alexander, and the three heads of the armed forces, will form part of the British delegation to the Conference of Western Union Defence Ministers, due to start in London on Friday.

In addition to Mr. Alexander, the delegation will consist of Lord Montgomery, Chief of Imperial General Staff, Admiral Sir John Cunningham, First Sea Lord, Marshal of the Royal Air Force Lord Tedder, Sir Harold Parker, Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Defence, and Lieutenant-General Sir Leslie Hollis, Chief Staff Officer to the Ministry of Defence and Deputy Military Secretary to the Cabinet.

The Dutch delegation is to be the Defence Minister, Colonel A. H. J. L. Eleyer, the Chief of General Staff, Lieutenant-General H. Kruls, and the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral Jonkh. E. Van Holte.

Belgium will be represented by Colonel de Fauteur, the Defence Minister, General Baile, Chief of General Staff, Colonel Le Bouffe, Chief of Air Staff, and General de Luyal, Inspector-General of the Technical Services.

The Luxembourg delegates are M. Lambert Schaus, Minister of the Armed Forces, and Colonel Jacoby, Commander-in-Chief of the Luxembourg Armed Forces. —Reuter.

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m.v. "REINHOLD"	about May	26th
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"ORBITA"	U.K.	27th May
"TREVOSE"	Shanghai	31st June
"TREVEAN"	U.K. & Continent	18th June
	via Straits	16th June

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SHIP	TO	SAILING
"TREVELAN"	Shanghai & Japan	1st May
"CANTON"	Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said & Suez (Tibury)	noon 15th May
"TREVEAN"	Shanghai & Japan	25th May
"ORBITA"	Singapore, Penang, Aden, Port Said, Genoa, Antwerp, (Amsterdam)	28th May
"TREVEAN"	U.K.	27th May
"TREVOSE"	Shanghai & Japan	31st June
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SHIP	FROM	DUE
"SANGOLA"	Calcutta & Rangoon via Straits	20th April
"SIRDHANA"	Japan & Amoy	2nd May
SHIP	TO	SAILING
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SHIPS	TO	SAILINGS
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"TJITALENGKA" from Macassar and Javaport, 11 May	to Javaport & Macassar, 11 May
"STRAAT SOENDA" In port	to Macassar, 2nd May

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Arrivals	Departures
"BOISSEVAIN" from Japan & Shanghai, 4th May	to South Africa, South America, via Manila & Straits, 11th May
"STRAAT MALAKKA" from South America, 17th May	to Shanghai & Japan, 18th May
	to South Africa, South America, 4th June

"TEGELBERG" from South Africa, 10th June, to South Africa, 20th June.

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"VAN HEUTSZ" from Amoy & Swatow, 5th May	to Straits & Belawan, 6th May
"HEINRICH JESSEN" from Belawan, 10th May	to Swatow & Amoy, 10th May
	to Straits & Belawan, 17th May

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

Arrivals	Departures
"ALPHACCA" from Japan & Shanghai, 1st May	to Europe via Straits, 2nd May

"HIDDERKERK" from Europe, 3rd May, to Shanghai & Japan, 10th May

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	Late June	m.v. "TONGHAI"

ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast	22nd May	m.v. "BALI"
Los Angeles	Mid. June	m.v. "DONA AURORA"
	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"

SAILINGS

For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast	17th June	m.v. "DONA AURORA"
Los Angeles	Mid. June	m.v. "BENGAL"
	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"

San Francisco & Los Angeles) Mid. June m.v. "HALLAND"

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"BOLTHOLE OF HONG KONG"

Leak Of Sterling Area Gold Dollars

The "bolthole of Hong Kong," through which much-needed dollars of the sterling area are filtering into the free exchange market without benefit to the Empire, may shortly be plugged, in the opinion of financial circles here.

The leak of sterling area dollars which has assumed serious proportions in recent months is through two principal channels:

1.—To finance imports of gold which is being smuggled into China as a hedge against continued depreciation of the Chinese dollar, and

2.—Through the re-export of sterling area goods to dollar areas without the dollars being contributed to the Empire's dollar pool.

China has become one of the world's leading importers of gold which flows in through the tiny Portuguese colony of Macao although the settling of accounts takes place in Hong Kong. Informal sources estimate that a total of 3,000,000 ounces will be imported in 1948, involving an outlay of US\$120,000,000 to US\$130,000,000.

Hong Kong's unofficial dollar market is operated largely for the benefit of the gold trade, and continued large arrivals of bullion have sent the price of dollars spiralling upward some 17 per cent. since the first of the year. Legitimate importers of goods thus are forced to make greater demands on the Exchange Controller for official dollars.

More dollars are lost through the shipment via Hong Kong of

sterling area goods to dollar areas with the dollar proceeds by-passing official channels.

Thus, until recently dealers in Hong Kong bought raw rubber from Malaya and paid in sterling at the official price. The rubber then was re-exported to the United States for dollars, which could be re-used in Hong Kong's open market at premiums of 25.35 per cent. The trader made a handsome profit and the official dollar pool lost dollars.

Recent restrictions have alleviated this illicit somewhat, although the leak still goes on. Exporters of certain commodities—rubber, pepper, diamonds, coconut oil and gunny bags (all Empire products)—now are required to surrender 10 per cent of their export bills to the Exchange Controller.

Exporters of other commodities, such as tung oil, tin and silver, are required to surrender 25 per cent of their export bills, in order to replenish the Colony's dollar supply without imposing a burden which might otherwise prevent exports adding in American markets at a profit. The remaining 75 per cent may be used as the exporter wishes.

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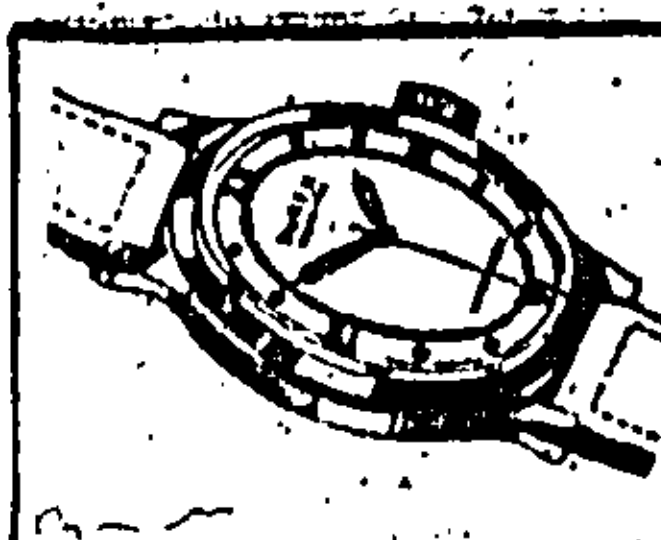
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Mortensen has been picked to travel to the Continent with the England team which plays Italy in Turin on May 16.—Associated Press.

Military Backing For West Europe

Washington, Apr. 27. A programme of United States military aid for Western Europe is reported to be in the final stages of Truman administration planning.

Work on the programme is expected to be stepped up by Secretary of State Marshall who has returned to his desk after four weeks at the Inter-American conference at Bogota.

The issue on which a top Government decision is expected soon is the problem of outright talks between the United States and the nations now organising the Western European Union on the nature and extent of political and military co-operation.

President Truman told Congress last month that the United States supports the Western European Union idea and intends to protect the free nations of the world against Communist police states.

That no responsible official has yet indicated publicly how American policy on the critical issue of support for the Western bloc will develop from well-informed insiders, however, it can be reported that the intention of some of the President's advisers at least is to provide a comprehensive rather than a single-shot programme.

Possibilities

Hence speculation on the pattern of the nation's political-military relations with the Western bloc may eventually take shape subject to President Truman's approval and decisions by Congress.

These possibilities are:

1. A revival of military lend-lease. The guns and bullets, planes and tanks, which Western Europe may need from the United States to gain strength against the Communist East will have to be furnished by the U.S. free of cost unless the Marshall Plan for the economic recovery of Europe is to be thrown completely out of balance.
2. Formation of what would amount in fact to a military alliance between the United States and the European countries.
3. A prime objective of this would be to make specifically clear to the Russians points at which they could not attack without bringing on war with the United States.
4. The form of such an alliance would be determined. It could be set forth in treaties or created through the formation of some new regional defence system joined by the United States as well as Western Europe.
5. Use of military missions. It seems certain that if the U.S. again sends large quantities of arms, military aid to Europe, it will also have to provide officers to teach their use.

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4. Tighter High Command relations. One of the wartime organisations between Britain and the United States which still exists is the Combined Chiefs of Staff. It is considered fairly sure by some authorities that it and when the United States makes strong military commitments to Western Europe, much greater international staff work may be required.

This might be accomplished either by expanding the combined Chiefs of Staff or by having the United States take part in the new Western Union military committee, being set up in London.

The position of the administration therefore is said to be that the President has the right to send troops wherever he may consider it in the nation's interest to do so.

In addition, the administration is reported to be in the process of preparing to argue that in joining the United Nations the United States assumed duties which are incapable.—Associated Press.

Opponents' Submission In Eviction Application

A submission that the opponents had, in law, no case to answer, was put forward yesterday by Mr. B. A. Bernacchi at the continued hearing of the application by Messrs. Mackintosh's Limited for an eviction order against Mr. L. Mercado and Mrs. Kovach (Mayo's Shoppe) in respect of Shop, 7C Alexandra Building.

The application is being heard by Mr. D. L. Strellett, sitting as a Magistrate in Tenancy Tribunal "A".

Messrs. Mackintosh's Limited (applicants) are represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. J. T. Prior of Messrs. Wilkenson & Grist.

Mr. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. Y. K. Kan of Messrs. Lo and Lo, is appearing for Mr. Mercado and Mrs. Kovach (opponents).

The opponents are claiming that the applicants were given a temporary licence of the premises they now occupy on the condition that possession would be given up on the return of Mackintosh's.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bernacchi, Mr. L. C. Meyer, a Director of Mackintosh's, said that in Sept. 1946, he considered the possibility of taking legal steps to have the opponents evicted but understood from his lawyers that opponents could not be evicted as they were protected by the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance.

Rent Agreement

When Mackintosh's took over the tenancy of the whole premises on Sept. 1, it was agreed that the rent should be paid to the Land Investment Co. in advance, but in actual fact it was not paid. Mr. Meyer agreed that he may have refused or delayed accepting rent from opponents, but could not remember clearly the exact situation. There was a possibility that he waited until the end of September when Mackintosh's were about to pay their own rent, to send a debit note to opponents. Ordinary rent receipts were given to opponents up to the time of the application, but thereafter they were marked "without prejudice".

The letter of June 28, 1947, written by Messrs. Wilkenson & Grist on behalf of Mackintosh's to Mayo's Hat Shoppe, was intended to apply to both opponents.

Mr. Meyer agreed that in the period between September 1946 and June 1947, Mackintosh's had accepted the circumstance that legally they could not move out opponents as sub-tenants on a monthly basis.

They had to bow to the inevitable. Since Mackintosh's could not move opponents out, they had to allow opponents to stay in.

In May 1947, when the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance came into force, Mackintosh's were advised that under Section 10 (f) of that Ordinance, on an application, made an order for recovery of possession or the ejectment of a person who had become a tenant before Aug. 10, 1947, and the commencement of the Ordinance, the condition that he should vacate the premises on the return of the person who was the tenant before Dec. 25, 1941, and who had neglected or refused to vacate the premises upon receipt of notice from the landlord that such former tenant had returned to the Colony and that the premises were required for his use.

Kwangtung Retrenchment

Canton, Apr. 29. Some Kwangtung Provincial Government employees were looking for work elsewhere today in the face of a 15 per cent reduction of the staff.

The retrenchment policy is effective tomorrow but does not affect those holding key positions. Those leaving will be given two months salary in lieu of notice, plus two months of official pay at nominal price.

Like other provinces, Kwangtung has depended on subsidies from the Central Government for current and special expenses. Revenue represents roughly 80 per cent of expenditures.—Associated Press.

A talk on the manufacture of cigarettes was given by Mr. J. A. Sturker, Director and Factory Manager of the British Cigarette Co. and the British American Tobacco Co. at a well-attended luncheon meeting of the Hong Kong Y.M.C.A. at the Hotel Roof Garden yesterday.

Glasgow, Apr. 28. Scotland heat Belgium by two goals to nil in a soccer international match at Hampden Park here tonight after leading one nil at half time.—Reuter.

Canton Curfew Denied

Canton, Apr. 29. There is no truth in the Hong Kong report that curfew is to be imposed in Canton city with-out any warning next month, a high police officer told Reuter today.

He added that if the Security authorities had decided on this measure, he would have been informed.

It is believed that high ranking security officers recently held meetings to discuss precautionary measures should subversive elements attempt to create trouble on Labour Day, May 1, and on the occasion of the swearing in of President Chiang Kai-shek as the nation's first constitutional President, on May 5.

A Kwangtung Provincial Government spokesman said that only the head of departments have been asked to apply for curfew passes—but this is only in the case of any emergency.

Though there is no restriction on the movements of the city's citizens, the Chief of the Shamen Police Station pointed out that non-residents of the island, who have no business to be there, are not permitted to enter the former foreign concession after midnight.—Reuter.

Post-War Bowling Opens Next Month

The first post-war Lawn Bowls League will start on Saturday, May 22, with a full programme of games in the First and Second Divisions.

Seven Clubs have entered in the First Division, but owing to the large number of entries in the Second Division the committee, in order to shorten the season have decided to split the division into two sections.

The following are the games for the first two weeks of the League. No games will be played on May 29 on account of the Races.

The championship of the Second League will be decided by a play-off of one match between the winners of the two sections on a neutral green to be fixed by the General Committee.

The winners of this match will be the champions and the losers the runners-up.

The promotion and relegation rule will as in pre-war years be continued.

A total of five points are to be at stake in every League match, that is, two points for a win on aggregate of shots and one point for each winning rink. A draw halves the points.

All unfinished games, in which not more than 36 heads have been played in all, shall be entirely replayed on the first available convenient Sunday or Public Holiday.

The draw of the teams for the two sections of the Second Division resulted as follows:

SECTION "A"

Kowloon Cricket Club
Hongkong Cricket Club
Taikoo Club
Club de Recreo "A"
Filipino Club
Indian Recreation Club

SECTION "B"

Hongkong Football Club
Club de Recreo "B"
Craigengower Cricket Club
Prison Officers' Club
H.K. Electric Recreation Club
Kowloon Bowling Green Club

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Southampton Club On S. American Tour

Southampton, Apr. 29. Sixteen players and five officials of the Southampton Football Club today sailed for Rio de Janeiro in the liner Andes to play a series of seven goodwill soccer matches against Brazilian clubs.

George Rinder, Britain's top international referee, sailed with the team.

The Mayor of Southampton, a supporter of the Club for 50 years, gave the party a civic send-off.

"You are going to visit a great and friendly nation which was a staunch ally of ours during the war," the Mayor said.

The Club will open their four weeks' tour with a game in Rio against Regata Vasco da Gama, the champion South American team. They will play four matches in Rio and three in Sao Paulo, probably more than enough to recover the estimated £2,000 cost of the trip.

Australia 121 For One In Reply To Worcester's 233

Worcester, Apr. 29.

The Australian cricket touring team scored 121 runs for one wicket by lunch today in their three-day match against Worcester, after dismissing the county team for 233 runs yesterday.

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SCORES

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Soccer Notes

Only Third In Doubt By "Alcydes"

The last Saturday of the English soccer season sees most of the leagues championships decided. In fact only in the Third Division North is the issue in doubt and then it is levelled down to two teams, Lincoln and Rotherham.

Both sides have one game to play and though Lincoln lead by one point they have fifty-nine goals and Rotherham have only thirty. They must win to be absolutely certain of winning the league.

Free scoring Rotherham have found the net ninety-six times this season and, if the teams finish with equal points then Rotherham will take it by virtue of their superior goal average.

Saturday's Fixtures

Next Saturday's fixtures for these two clubs are: Accrington v. Rotherham, Lincoln v. Hartlepool U.

On paper it looks as though Lincoln are as good as there but Hartlepool may be the sparer in the works and Accrington are well placed in the league table and may account for Rotherham.

Manchester United's triumph last week was the climax to a run of successes that has labelled them the "Team of the Season." Their win in the final which was almost universally expected is overshadowed by their passage to the final.

Little is it realised that they defeated all First Division teams on their Wembley trail and as they couldn't play at home on Manchester City's ground, they were well placed in the league table and may account for Rotherham.

Their appearance in the final was more than justified by their performance throughout the competition. With their ground at Old Trafford and a host of "Mancunians" may see their favourites performing on their own ground. Congratulations, to Manchester United, the team of the season.

Portsmouth Improved

Two other teams stand out in relief—as the season finishes. Portsmouth, keeping the South Coast's flag flying in the premier Division have improved upon their performance of last season when they gained 40 points.

At present with one game left to play they have 43 points. They have strengthened their front line with Justus of Dundee in the middle. Both teams may wish to see their continued progress in the competition next season.

Brentford's recovery may well be attributed to the acquisition of Monk of Guildford City, ambitious Southern League side. There exists a gentlemen's agreement between these two clubs and Monk's transfer is ample evidence of this spirit. His three goals in three recent games have given the Bees six very valuable points and lifted them up to the middle of the table.

By concluding these notes it would be unfair to pass and not mention the efforts of Bournemouth and Southampton who came so near to honours. They played great football and may their efforts be rewarded with more success next season.

U.K. SOCCER

London, Apr. 28. Today's football fixtures:

FIRST DIVISION

Blackpool 1, Manchester U. 0
Derby 0, 2 Portsmouth 1
Huddersfield 1, Everton 3

SECOND DIVISION

Fulham 0, Coventry 2
Leicester 0, Southampton 2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bristol Rovers 2, Watford 3
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Norwich 0, Notts Co. 1
Torquay 1, Reading 2
Swindon 0, Walsall 3

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)

Hartlepool 4, Accrington 0
Preston 1, Friendly Match 0
Arsenal 3, Colchester 0

—Reuter.

Craigengower Cricket Club will reopen their Bowling Green on Sunday at 4 p.m. with a "Wappingham" for members, those intending to participate should be present at the Club at 3.30 p.m.

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